

# **Test Definition: NSESF**

Neuron-Specific Enolase (NSE), Spinal Fluid

Reporting Title: Neuron Specific Enolase, CSF

**Performing Location:** Rochester

### **Specimen Requirements:**

Container/Tube: Sterile vial Specimen Volume: 0.5 mL

## **Specimen Minimum Volume:**

0.3 mL

#### Forms:

If not ordering electronically, complete, print, and send a Neurology Specialty Testing Client Test Request (T732) with the specimen.

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time	Special Container
CSF	Refrigerated (preferred)	15 days	
	Ambient	72 hours	

#### **Result Codes:**

Result ID	Reporting Name	Туре	Unit	LOINC®
NSESF	Neuron Specific Enolase, CSF	Numeric	ng/mL	44802-7

LOINC and CPT codes are provided by the performing laboratory.

### **Supplemental Report:**

No

#### **CPT Code Information:**

83520



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#### **Reference Values:**

Normal: < or =15 ng/mL Indeterminate: 15-30 ng/mL Elevated: >30 ng/mL

Elevated results may indicate the need for additional workup. Possible causes may be neuron-specific enolase-secreting central nervous system/leptomeningeal tumor or rapid neuronal destruction from a variety of causes. In the context of dementia, elevated results may be suggestive of Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease.