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### HIV-1 RNA Viral Load

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The 2022 Directory of Services was sent out earlier this year. The Directory of Services is a resource meant to guide you from specimen collection through the processing and reporting of tests offered by our laboratory. We have added the following test:

<p><b>HIV-1 RNA Viral Load</b>          CPT CODE:          87536</p>	<p><b>Acceptable Specimen:</b> 2 mL plasma; tubes containing ETDA or Acid Citrate Dextrose (ACD) anticoagulants or Plasma Preparation Tubes (PPTs)</p> <p><b>Stability: Primary Tube-</b> Ambient: Unacceptable; Refrigerated: 3 days; Frozen: Unacceptable</p> <p><b>Stability: Secondary Tube-</b> Ambient: Unacceptable; Refrigerated: 5 days; Frozen: 90 days</p> <p><b>Normal Value:</b> Not Detected</p> <p><b>Turn Around Time:</b> Weekly</p>	<p>\$55</p>
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For the updated Directory of Services, please refer to our website: <http://www.ndhealth.gov/microlab/>

If you have any questions, please contact our facility for the recommended guidance.

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