

# Q&A

## LABCORP'S MATURITY-ONSET DIABETES OF THE YOUNG (MODY) TESTING

### 1. Is Maturity-Onset Diabetes of the Young (MODY) testing covered by insurance?

**A:** While we are not able to make general statements regarding coverage due to the number of insurance policies that may be utilized, LabCorp will attempt to obtain prior authorization, if required and the laboratory is permitted to initiate, for any MODY testing that will be billed to insurance by LabCorp. After contacting the patient's specific insurance plan, LabCorp will notify the patient if the expected out-of-pocket expense is greater than \$300.

### 2. What is the cost to my patient?

**A:** The cost of MODY testing will be based on the contracted rate with the insurance plans and the patient's current deductible status. After contacting the patient's specific insurance plan, LabCorp will notify the patient if the expected out-of-pocket expense is greater than \$300.

### 3. Is prior authorization required?

**A:** LabCorp will contact the patient's insurance plan on behalf of the ordering provider to determine if prior authorization is required. If required and the laboratory is permitted to initiate, LabCorp will attempt to obtain prior authorization before testing begins.

### 4. What is the expected turn-around time for results?

**A:** Results are expected 35-42 days from the date of pickup of a specimen to when the result is released. If prior authorization is required, testing will not begin until the insurance company has responded and, if needed, the patient has authorized testing based on the anticipated out-of-pocket expense.

### 5. What is the sample requirement? Is buccal swab or oral fluid testing available?

**A:** Testing requires 3 mL of whole blood collected in an EDTA lavender tube. At this time, testing is only validated on blood. We are unable to test using buccal swabs or oral fluid samples.

### 6. Where is testing performed?

**A:** Testing is performed at our Endocrine Sciences lab in Calabasas, California.

### 7. Has LabCorp's MODY test been validated?

**A:** LabCorp's MODY test has been validated in accordance with CLIA/CAP specifications in Endocrine Sciences' CLIA/CAP-accredited clinical reference laboratory in Calabasas, CA.

### 8. Who reviews each patient result?

**A:** Every result is reviewed by a licensed, doctoral-level technical director or medical director before it is released to providers.

### 9. How do I order MODY testing on a patient?

**A:** Please provide an order for testing indicating test **504603, MODY Genetic Profile**, and a completed copy of the clinical questionnaire, which is available at [www.LabCorp.com/testmenu](http://www.LabCorp.com/testmenu) under the MODY test.

### 10. How can I order testing on a patient that has a known mutation in a family member?

**A:** Known familial mutation sequencing analysis is available through test number 504193. Please include a completed clinical questionnaire, which is available at [www.LabCorp.com/testmenu](http://www.LabCorp.com/testmenu) under test number 504193. Please also attach a copy of the original lab report for the family member (index patient) or a DNA sample of the index patient as a positive control.

### 11. Who can I contact with questions regarding results?

**A:** LabCorp's Endocrine Hotline is available for your questions and can be reached at **877-436-3056**. Our scientific and sales teams are also available to discuss questions about MODY testing and can be reached through our Endocrine Hotline.



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