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**Russell Viper Venom Time Test (RVVT)**

Effective March 12, 2009 changes will be made to the RVVT DIL w/reflex if prolonged (RVVT DIL), which is used in the clinical assessment of a lupus anticoagulant.

The name of the test will be changed to Russell Viper Venom Time Test (RVVT). Test results will be interpreted and reported as either Normal or Abnormal. Tests with Normal interpretations will include the Russell Viper Venom Time only. Test with Abnormal interpretations will be reflexed to add Confirmation time and if appropriate the 1:1 Correction times.

	<b>Russell Viper Venom Time Test</b>
TEST CODE	RVVT
TEST METHOD	Clotting assay with increased sensitivity for the detection of antiphospholipid antibodies (lupus anticoagulant.)
PERFORMED	Monday and Thursday
REPORTED	Same day
SPECIMEN	Blue top
MIN VOLUME	1.0 mL plasma
STABILITY	Platelet poor plasma, 1 month, frozen
REFERENCE RANGE	Normal
CPT CODE	85613 RVVT (Russell Viper Venom Time) 85613 RVVT CONFIRMATION (Russell Viper Venom Time Confirmation) 85613 1:1 RVVT mixing study (Russell Viper Venom Time Correction) 85613 1:1 RVVT CONFIRMATION mixing study (Russell Viper Venom Time Confirmation Correction)

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