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Technical Bulletin

UPDATE: Sofia Influenza A+B FIA CPT Recommendation

On October 6, 2020, the AMA released an update to the immunoassay guidelines which helps clarify the methodologies employed in infectious agent antigen testing, along with codes 87301, 87802 and their subsidiary codes. Included in these updates are the following:

- 87804 descriptor now specifies that it pertains to visually read tests
- 87400 descriptor now specifies that it pertains to instrument read tests, including fluorescent immunoassays

As such, Quidel recommends the following CPT codes for use with the Sofia Influenza A+B FIA:

- **Influenza A: 87400**
- **Influenza B: 87400-59**
- Add a QW Modifier to each CPT code when billing for testing performed in laboratories with a CLIA Certificate of Waiver for Medicare/Medicaid Claims

CPT CODE	DESCRIPTION
87400 QW*	Infectious agent antigen detection by immunoassay technique, (e.g., enzyme immunoassay [EIA], enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay [ELISA], fluorescence immunoassay [FIA], immunochemiluminometric assay [IMCA]) qualitative or semiquantitative, multiple-step method; Influenza, A or B, each

For the Medicare Clinical Laboratory Fee Schedule, go to <https://www.cms.gov>.

*QW modifier is added to report use of CLIA-waived test system(s) for Medicare/Medicaid claims.

For additional information and guidance, please visit:

<https://www.ama-assn.org/practice-management/cpt/covid-19-coding-and-guidance>

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