

Medi-Cal Reminder: QNatal Advanced®

Noninvasive Prenatal Testing for Fetal Aneuploidy (NIPT)

Quest Diagnostics test offering 92777 - QNatal Advanced® (CPT: 81420)

According to the current Medi-Cal Provider Manual, Noninvasive Prenatal Testing for Fetal Aneuploidy (branded at Quest Diagnostics as the QNatal Advanced™ test), may be billed with CPT-4 code 81507 (fetal aneuploidy [trisomy 21, 18, and 13] DNA sequence analysis of selected regions using maternal plasma, algorithm reported as a risk score for each trisomy) or **81420** (fetal chromosomal aneuploidy genomic sequence analysis panel, circulating cell-free fetal DNA in maternal blood, must include analysis of chromosomes 13, 18, and 21). Coverage for noninvasive prenatal testing for fetal aneuploidy (cell-free fetal DNA testing) does not include screening for microdeletion syndromes, neural tube defect, or ventral wall defects. A *Treatment Authorization Request* (TAR) with documentation of the following criteria is required:

- Patient with singleton gestation only
- The patient has an increased risk of aneuploidy due to one or more of the following:
 - Maternal age 35 years or older at delivery
 - Fetal ultra-sonographic findings indicating an increased risk of aneuploidy
 - History of a prior pregnancy with a trisomy
 - Positive test result for aneuploidy, including first trimester, sequential, or integrated screen, or a quadruple screen
 - Parental balanced Robertsonian translocation with increased risk of fetal trisomy 13 or trisomy 21 Concurrent or repeat use of noninvasive prenatal testing (NIPT) during the same pregnancy is not covered.

Note: Coverage for NIPT for fetal aneuploidy (cell-free fetal DNA testing) does not include screening for microdeletion syndromes, neural tube defect or ventral wall defects.

This information is reflected on page 72 of the Pathology: Molecular Pathology section of the Medi-Cal Provider Manual, guidelines. For complete guidelines please visit www.medi-cal.ca.gov.

If you have any questions, please contact your Quest Diagnostics sales representative.

The CPT codes provided are based on AMA guidelines and are for informational purposes only. CPT coding is the sole responsibility of the billing party. Please direct any questions regarding coding to the payer being billed. The above information serves as a reference tool for laboratory services and is not comprehensive. The ordering provider is responsible for determining the appropriate diagnosis codes for each patient. Diagnosis codes must be applicable to the patient's symptoms or conditions and must be consistent with documentation in the patient's medical record.