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Test	Rapid Strep Test
Test Description	The Rapid Strep Test allows for the qualitative detection of Strep A antigen in throat or nasopharyngeal swab specimens to aid in the diagnosis of Group A Streptococcal infection.
Acceptable specimens	Throat or nasopharyngeal swab specimen collected using a: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sterile polyester swab 2. Rayon transport swab containing modified Stuart's or Amies liquid medium
Specimen collection	Samples should be collected from the posterior pharynx, tonsils, and other inflamed areas. During sampling, the swab should not touch the tongue, cheeks, or teeth.
Specimen storage	Swabs should be kept refrigerated at 2–8°C.
Specimen shipping	Swabs should be shipped refrigerated and received by the laboratory within 72 hours of collection.
CPT code	87880
Test fee	Refer to the posted fee schedule
Result availability (turnaround time)	Results from the Rapid Strep Test are typically faxed to the submitter on the same day as specimen receipt.