



Sofia®

## Technical Bulletin

### Sofia SARS Antigen FIA CPT Code

Effective June 25, 2020, CPT® has released a new code for SARS Antigen testing. Quidel recommends this CPT code for use with the Sofia SARS Antigen FIA.

CPT CODE	DESCRIPTION	EFFECTIVE DATE	MEDICARE NATIONAL LIMIT*
87426QW**	Infectious agent antigen detection by immunoassay technique, (eg, enzyme immunoassay [EIA], enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay [ELISA], immunochemiluminometric assay [IMCA]) qualitative or semiquantitative, multiple-step method; severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus (eg, SARS-CoV, SARS-CoV-2 [COVID-19])	June 25,2020	TBD

\*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 more information refer to: <https://www.cms.gov/files/document/MM11927.pdf>

For additional information and guidance, please visit the AMA website at:

<https://www.ama-assn.org/press-center/press-releases/ama-announces-cpt-code-antigen-tests-fight-against-covid-19> and

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

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