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Panorama Prenatal Screen now performed in Canada!

LifeLabs Genetics is proud to announce that starting Monday October 5th, our state-of-the-art diagnostic testing laboratory in Toronto will be accepting Ontario patient samples for the Panorama Prenatal Test for screening of aneuploidies relating to chromosomes 13, 18, 21, X, and Y and triploidy using Natera technology. Toronto testing for samples from other provinces will be phased in over the next several months.

What does this mean for clinicians and patients wishing to order Panorama?

Ontario Residents:

For ON residents and their healthcare providers, LifeLabs analyzing samples in-house for Panorama means easier access to this test.

- **High risk patients:** ON residents who meet the clinical criteria will continue to have their tests funded; however, ordering physicians will no longer have to complete the Ministry of Health and Long Term-Care (MOHLTC) application for Out-of-Country funding. Starting **October 5th**, clinicians will complete a simple checklist instead of the MOHLTC application for Out-of-Country funding. This checklist should accompany every requisition for patients meeting criteria. The criteria describing who qualifies for ON funding are listed below.

Who qualifies for ON MOH funded NIPT?

The MOH funds Panorama NIPT for women who meet the following criteria:

- 40 years of age or older at the time of delivery
- Positive serum screen result
- Nuchal translucency (NT) \geq 3.5mm
- Previous pregnancy with a chromosome abnormality

The ON MOH may also consider funding for additional reasons provided on the checklist; however, these funding criteria are limited to patient samples submitted by Maternal Fetal Medicine Specialists and Geneticists.

- **Low Risk Patients:** ON residents who do not meet the funding criteria laid out by the ON MOH will continue to be able to pay out-of-pocket for Panorama.

NOTE: microdeletions are not currently covered by the ON MOH; microdeletion testing is private-pay only. The test options which include microdeletions are "The Panorama Prenatal Test + 22q11.2 deletion" and "the Panorama Prenatal Test + Microdeletion extended panel" (testing of 22q deletion, Cri-du-chat, 1p36 deletion, Angelman, Prader-Willi syndrome). These samples will continue to be analyzed at Natera in San Carlos, California, USA until the validation of microdeletion testing is complete later this fall.

Canadian Residents Residing Outside Ontario:

Canadian Residents outside ON will continue to be able to access the Panorama Prenatal Screen through private, out-of-pocket payment.

How to order Panorama Prenatal Screening Test:

1. Complete the appropriate Requisition:

Please ensure that all fields are filled out on the requisition to avoid processing delays

- **ON Residents:** There are two requisitions available for residents of Ontario. Choose EITHER the Private Pay OR MOHLTC Funded requisition. Please see above for criteria for MOH funded Panorama NIPT. For women meeting funding criteria - the blood cannot be drawn if the patient does not have both the LifeLabs Panorama MOH requisition AND the Panorama Funded by MOHTLC Checklist. The MOH is very strict about this process and if not both received the cost of the test will be borne by the patient.
- **Canadian Resident Residing Outside Ontario:** Please complete the Panorama Private Pay requisition.

2. Check off only **ONE** of the following tests on the requisition (with prices):

Test	Private Pay Price	ON MOH Funded Price
Panorama Prenatal Test	\$550	no charge
Panorama Prenatal Test + 22q11.2 deletion	\$745	\$195
Panorama Prenatal Test + Microdeletion Extended Panel	\$795	\$245

3. Father's cheek swab is OPTIONAL and, if the father will be submitting a cheek swab, ensure the box indicating this is checked off along with his name and date of birth. *(Please note that the cheek swab must be collected at the same time as the mother's blood is drawn).*
4. Have the patient sign and date the consent portion at the bottom of the requisition
5. A separate document entitled, the Patient Consent Form, must also be read and signed by the patient and kept in the patient's chart. LifeLabs does not need a copy.

All forms and information about where to have blood drawn can be found on our website www.lifelabsgenetics.com

If you have any questions or concerns about how to order, please contact us:

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