

Pharyngitis Screening Workflow for Providers, Clinical Staff and Quality Incentive Coordinators

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Summary: Patients aged 3 and older with a pharyngitis diagnosis are recommended to have Strep A Culture before prescribing antibiotics to improve diagnostic accuracy and avoid unnecessary antibiotic treatment. **Support:** Ambulatory Informatics at 231-392-0229.

Pharyngitis Screening

- When a patient 3 years or older presents for a visit with the symptom of a sore throat, navigate to the Clinical Staff Orders.
- 2. Select Rapid Strep POC From POC Testing.
- 3. For non-providers: Choose the Order type Cosign required.
- 4. Click Orders for Signature.
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Task I

POC Testing	≣∙⊘
Pulse Oximetry POC	
Rapid Strep POC	
RSV POC	

- a. If the provider has added This Visit problems, associate the correct problem/diagnosis.
- b. If no problems/diagnoses have been added to This Visit, click Modify Details, add then associate the diagnosis J02.9 Acute sore throat to the order.

Diagnoses	
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5. Click Sign.

Performing and Documenting Strep Screen

- 1. Administer the Strep test.
- 2. Navigate to the **Task List** from the left side Menu.

		Office/Clinic Task				Refe	rrals	Specimen Collect					
st		Task retrieval completed											
nd					Sched	uled Date and Time			Task Description		Order Details		
					11/15/	2021	9:51	EST	Strep Scre	en POC	11/15/21 9:51:00 EST, Dx Acute sore throat		

- 3. Select the **Strep Screen POC Task** and double click to open Chart Details.
- 4. Document the POC Strep Screen powerform details. Update the Performed on Date and Time to the time of the specimen collection.

5.	Click the greer
	checkmark to
	sign the
	powerform.

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POC Strep Screen		PO	C Strep Screen				
	Please CHANGE the above form date and time to the date and time the specimen was c						
		avalid' control should be discarded and re atrol) will open the test result field for cl					
	Are Controls Valid?	O Yes					
	Strep Screen Results	O Negative O Positive	Negative				
	Kit Lot Number						
	Performed by	Test MD, Physician	_				
	Performing Location	O AuSable Urology O Bay Area Urology	O Grayling CHC Walk in Clinic O Munson Family O Grayling Hospital O Munson Medic				

If the Strep Screen Result was positive:

- 1. The provider is to treat Streptococcal infection.
- 2. Add the appropriate strep diagnosis to the problem list.

If the Strep Screen Result was negative:

1. Best Practice recommends ordering a Group A Strep PCR.

Coding a diagnosis of tonsilitis or pharyngitis without ordering a Group Strep A PCR will be flagged by payers as an inappropriate diagnosis if antibiotics are prescribed.