



## HOW TO PERFORM AN EVALUATION OF THE OSOM<sup>®</sup> INFLUENZA A&B TEST



### Where do I obtain samples to use for evaluation?

1. If you are associated with a nearby sister site that is willing to send you patient samples, you may use these samples to evaluate the OSOM Influenza A&B test.

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2. You may request Influenza A&B samples from your proficiency organization such as CAP, API, AAB. (See contact numbers below). Inform them that you would like to obtain proficiency material from previous surveys to use for evaluation of a diagnostic kit.

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3. You may request liquid Flu evaluation material by contacting your Genzyme Sales Rep or calling 800-332-1042.

### How many samples do I need to test?

There is no set number of samples required to be tested, however 20 samples is considered a “rule of thumb” for statistical purposes. For more information, refer to the CMS Interpretive Guidelines 493.1253 at [http://www.cms.hhs.gov/CLIA/03\\_Interpretive\\_Guidelines\\_for\\_Laboratories.asp](http://www.cms.hhs.gov/CLIA/03_Interpretive_Guidelines_for_Laboratories.asp) **Subpart K**.

### What shall I do if I have questions about the OSOM Influenza Test procedure or results?

For technical assistance or additional information on the OSOM Influenza A&B Test, call 800-332-1042.

### How may I contact a proficiency agency to obtain evaluation material (option #2 above)

American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP)	(800) 274-7911
American Association of Bioanalysts (AAB)	(800) 234-5315
American Proficiency Institute (API)	(800) 333-0958
College of American Pathologists (CAP)	(847) 832-7000
Medical Laboratory Evaluation (MLE)	(800) 338-2746