

# Local Coverage Article: MoIDX: TERC Gene Tests Coding and Billing Guidelines (A53589)

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## Contractor Information

CONTRACTOR NAME	CONTRACT TYPE	CONTRACT NUMBER	JURISDICTION	STATE(S)
Palmetto GBA	A and B MAC	10111 - MAC A	J - J	Alabama
Palmetto GBA	A and B MAC	10112 - MAC B	J - J	Alabama
Palmetto GBA	A and B MAC	10211 - MAC A	J - J	Georgia
Palmetto GBA	A and B MAC	10212 - MAC B	J - J	Georgia
Palmetto GBA	A and B MAC	10311 - MAC A	J - J	Tennessee
Palmetto GBA	A and B MAC	10312 - MAC B	J - J	Tennessee
Palmetto GBA	A and B and HHH MAC	11201 - MAC A	J - M	South Carolina
Palmetto GBA	A and B and HHH MAC	11202 - MAC B	J - M	South Carolina
Palmetto GBA	A and B and HHH MAC	11301 - MAC A	J - M	Virginia
Palmetto GBA	A and B and HHH MAC	11302 - MAC B	J - M	Virginia
Palmetto GBA	A and B and HHH MAC	11401 - MAC A	J - M	West Virginia
Palmetto GBA	A and B and HHH MAC	11402 - MAC B	J - M	West Virginia
Palmetto GBA	A and B and HHH MAC	11501 - MAC A	J - M	North Carolina
Palmetto GBA	A and B and HHH MAC	11502 - MAC B	J - M	North Carolina

## Article Information

### General Information

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**Article Title**

MoIDX: TERC Gene Tests Coding and Billing Guidelines

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## Article Guidance

### Article Text:

Effective for dates of service on and after June 25, 2013

Since the associated conditions associated with telomerase RNA component (TERC) gene testing is limited to reproductive risk assessment, the MolDX team has determined TERC gene testing is a statutorily excluded service. MolDX will also deny tests that include one or more of TERC analysis reported with CPT code 81479 as a statutorily excluded service.

To receive a TERC analysis service denial, please submit the following claim information:

- CPT 81479 – Unlisted molecular pathology procedure
  - For a voluntary issued ABN, append with GX modifier
  - To indicate a valid ABN is on file for a known statutorily excluded service, append with a GY modifier. An Advance Beneficiary Notice (ABN) is not required for statutorily excluded services.
- Select the appropriate diagnosis for the patient
- Enter DEX Z-Code™ identifier adjacent to the CPT code in the comment/narrative field for the following Part B claim field/types:
  - Loop 2400 or SV101-7 for the 5010A1 837P

- Box 19 for paper claim
- Enter DEX Z-Code™ identifier adjacent to the CPT code in the comment/narrative field for the following Part A claim field/types:
  - Line SV202-7 for 837I electronic claim
  - Block 80 for the UB04 claim form

Reference: Sec. 1862 (1)(A) Statutory Exclusion covers diagnostic testing “except for items and services that are not reasonable and necessary for the diagnosis or treatment of illness or injury or to improve the functioning of a malformed body member,…”

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## Coding Information

### Bill Type Codes:

Contractors may specify Bill Types to help providers identify those Bill Types typically used to report this service. Absence of a Bill Type does not guarantee that the policy does not apply to that Bill Type. Complete absence of all Bill Types indicates that coverage is not influenced by Bill Type and the policy should be assumed to apply equally to all claims.

N/A

### Revenue Codes:

Contractors may specify Revenue Codes to help providers identify those Revenue Codes typically used to report this service. In most instances Revenue Codes are purely advisory. Unless specified in the policy, services reported under other Revenue Codes are equally subject to this coverage determination. Complete absence of all Revenue Codes indicates that coverage is not influenced by Revenue Code and the policy should be assumed to apply equally to all Revenue Codes.

N/A

### CPT/HCPCS Codes

N/A

### ICD-10 Codes that are Covered

N/A

### ICD-10 Codes that are Not Covered

N/A

# Revision History Information

REVISION HISTORY DATE	REVISION HISTORY NUMBER	REVISION HISTORY EXPLANATION
02/26/2018	R3	The Jurisdiction "J" Part A and Part B Contracts for Alabama (10111/10112), Georgia (10211/10212) and Tennessee (10311/10312) are now being serviced by Palmetto GBA. Effective 02/26/18, these 6 contract numbers are being added to this article. No coverage, coding or other substantive changes (beyond the addition of the 6 Part A and B contract numbers) have been completed in this revision.
10/26/2017	R2	Annual review completed. Added Part A contract and DEX Z-Code Identifier Information.
10/29/2015	R1	Annual review completed. Replaced reference to Palmetto and/or Palmetto GBA with MoIDX

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## Associated Documents

### Related Local Coverage Document(s)

N/A

### Related National Coverage Document(s)

N/A

### Statutory Requirements URL(s)

N/A

### Rules and Regulations URL(s)

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### CMS Manual Explanations URL(s)

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### Other URL(s)

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