

HIV and DNA (Genetic) Testing Policies and Procedures

HIV Draw and Testing

Blood Draw:

- The defendant (non-indigent) is responsible for payment of the draw fee.
- For an indigent defendant, the District should pay the fee and code the invoice as shown in the Coding Guide at the end of this section.
- If defendant is indigent and on probation, the blood draw should be paid using the Offender Services appropriation.

Blood Test:

- The State Health Department notifies SCAO as to the amount of costs incurred for HIV Testing and SCAO then remits funds to the State Health Dept. for administering the test (not the draw).

DNA Testing

DNA testing requested by the District Attorney, or conducted at the request of Judicial paid counsel or a *pro se* defendant may be coded as described in the Coding Guide at the end of this section. (This should not be confused with the DNA/Genetic tests of offenders related to probation, which are paid under separate, probation appropriation codes.)

Payment process

Payment of costs may be made directly to the party who performed services or as reimbursement to an attorney or agency that has incurred the costs.

The party requesting payment or reimbursement must submit:

- Court's authorization and applicable case number, as required
- Details supporting the costs incurred