

DET. COREY DIAZ BLOOD PANEL

In October 2009, after witnessing Det. Corey Diaz of OCCB lose his life only seven days after being diagnosed with pancreatic cancer, DEA President Michael Palladino asked Inner Imaging if there was some way to identify pancreatic cancer at its earliest stages. Inner Imaging came up with this blood panel, which the DEA adopted and named in honor of Diaz. The blood panel can help diagnose several forms of common cancers at their initial stages, so early medical action can be taken. The Det. Corey Diaz Blood Panel is a series of six blood tests (seven if you are female) that can be taken in your physician's office or at Inner Imaging. If you have GHI health insurance, this panel is a covered service. If you have coverage with another carrier, please call them to inquire if they will cover this blood panel. The NEW diagnosis code is 277.028 (YOUR PHYSICIAN MUST USE THIS CODE).

CPT#	PANEL PROFILE
86301	CA19-9, Serum (proposed as a marker for pancreatic carcinoma)
82378	CEA (carcinoembryonic antigen measures a protein in the blood for those with certain kinds of cancers)
86304	CA 125 (for women, test for ovarian carcinoma)
82105	Alpha-fetoprotein (a tumor marker)
82150	Serum amylase (acute chronic pancreatitis)
80053	CMP (comprehensive metabolic panel tests for elevated glucose level as most cancers thrive on glucose)
82977	GGT (gamma glutamyl transferase is useful to diagnose obstructive jaundice, intrahepatic cholestasis and pancreatitis, diagnose metastatic carcinoma in the liver, and diagnose chronic liver disease)