# Acetylcholinesterase (ACHE)

**Test Code:** PACHE  
**Turnaround time:** 6 days - 10 days  
**CPT Codes:** 82013 x1

## Condition Description

Acetylcholinesterase (ACHE) is performed as a confirmation test when the amniotic fluid alpha-fetoprotein level is abnormal.

## Indications

## Methodology

## Specimen Requirements

Submit only 1 of the following specimen types

### Type: Amniotic Fluid

Specimen Requirements:

Collect 20-30 ml of amniotic fluid (discard the first 1-2 ml). Place in sterile conical centrifuge tubes. For cultures: 1 T75 or 2 T25 at 70% confluence.

Specimen Collection and Shipping: Ship sample at room temperature for receipt at EGL within 24 hours of collection. Do not refrigerate or freeze.

## Related Tests

- Alpha-Fetoprotein, Amniotic Fluid (AFP-AF)