



CLSI Vendor Code Registry

To ensure unique vendor identification of point-of-care diagnostic devices, CLSI maintains a vendor code registry (see Table 1).

Organizations needing to register a new coded identifier should submit their requests at clsi.org/vendorcode.

Determining a Vendor Code

When appropriate, it is recommended that the stock trading symbol be used as the identifier. Other strings may be used provided they do not conflict with stock trading symbols for any other company and are not already used in a registered code.

Vendor Code Extensions

It may be useful or desirable to "extend" a code to provide additional organizational information. Additional qualifying information may be appended to the "base" code, with the prescribed field separator character "." used to delineate additional organizational subfields.

EXAMPLE: A code indicates that a data item is qualified by "GE Healthcare." Because General Electric "owns" the code "GE," it may create a vendor code that starts with this string and append additional qualifying subfields. In this case, General Electric would use the full code "GE.HC," in which the period character "." is the defined field to value.

Table 1. Coded Vendor Identifiers

	ACON
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	ANA
	ASTD
	ATLAS
Avocet Medical	
Bayer Diagnostics	BAYER
BD	
	BIORAD
	CERM

InterCompo. Ware	
VI Corpu Tion	
(TC	
Irol	
Lill m/lls	
LITE-ON Technology Corporation	
Medical Automation Systems	

For more information on designing devices, workstations, and interfaces that allow bidirectional communication of point-of-care devices with access points, data managers, and laboratory information systems, see CLSI POCT01.