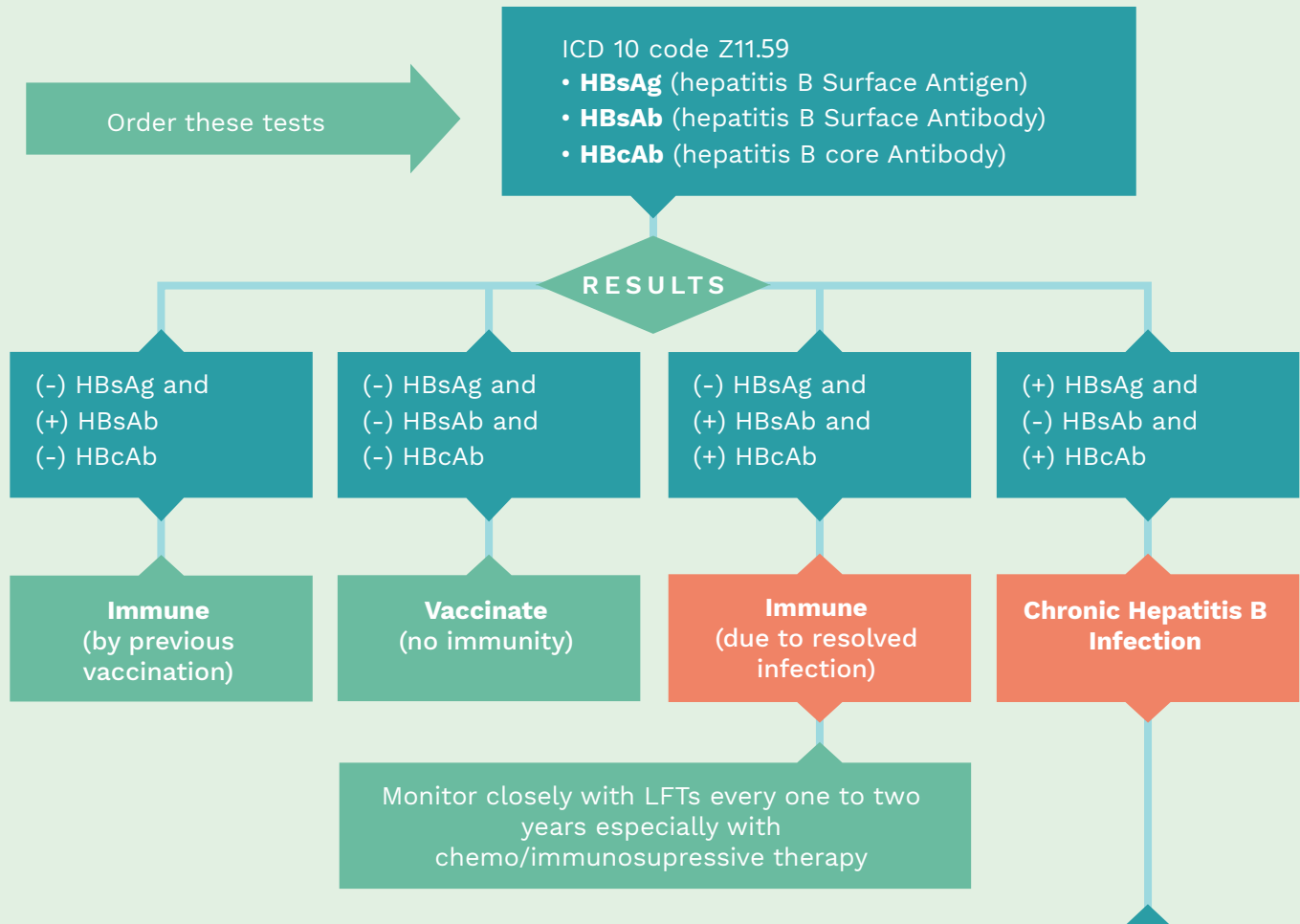


A Guide to Interpreting Hep B Lab Results

As health professionals, you have the ability to help those who are at risk for hepatitis B. Below is a flowchart on what tests to order, how to read the results, and how to help infected patients.



- **EVALUATE** status of HBV using guidelines (CDC, AASLD)
- **VACCINATE** against hepatitis A
- **DO SURVEILLANCE** for HCC at 6-12 month intervals in at-risk patients
- **COUNSEL** patient to:
 - Seek health care from hepatitis B experienced clinician
 - Have household members & sex partners tested and vaccinated if appropriate
 - Protect non-immune sex partners
 - Avoid sharing razors, toothbrushes or personal injection equipment; clean up blood spills with bleach
 - Cover cuts and skin lesions
 - Minimize consumption of alcohol