



LAB Dept MEETING – Huddles

Date of Meeting: May 20, 2021

Attendees: Vanessa Cardenas, William Craig, Juliet Garlejo, Mark Gomez, Yetunde Kosoko, Raquel Lecaro, Neil Lim, Lourdes Maniago, Erica Torres, Michelle Trammell, Patricia Chea, Marissa Calilung, Maria West, Theda Bryant

| Topic | Details | Action Item, responsible person, date due, or informational only |
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| <p>KUDOS SAFETY TIP</p>  | <p style="text-align: center;">May Mental Awareness Month</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Move the Keyboard in the patient room to the other side away from you, before starting work to prevent injury. • If it gets stuck, ask for assistance or move to the other side.- will report non-working equipment on the floor to nursing dept to fix. • Several items blocking access to sharps- will report to nursing managers. • Raise the bed to a more comfortable level • To safely put ladder back by the wall (in SPA) after use. • Bolts on the floor by Admin desk. Trip hazard.- will put red tape to alert staff <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Thank to all staff who participated in People Pulse and for making our Lab Week fun and special ❖ Thank you to for your help during CAP inspection. Great job with all the documentation and interviews. | <p>Informational</p> |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For Blood Bank CLS: • Be sure to review and complete the June 1, 2021 Release for updated Blood Bank Policies by 5/24/2021. • Ortho Vision service done – Document if still see QC#1 2+ reaction. • Read all memo and email regarding Blood Bank for the month. | <p>CLS</p> |
| <p>Phleb Annual Competency</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Competency in MedTraining due in June including repeats. • Please complete right away bec it will not be available after June | <p>Phlebotomist</p> |
| <p>Guideline for draws and Processing for Specimens</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">ALL shifts must have a written and verbal hand off communication.</p> <p>Attaching our guideline for draws and specimen processing. Reminder, this is NOT intended for staff to not work if outside the cut off time.</p> | <p>Phlebotomist</p> |

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| | This is only if you have so many specimens and not enough time to finish. | |
| Medicopia Notes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To document name of RN and detailed information when modifying time in Medicopia/KPPI. E.g. patient having transfusion. Document name of RN who asked you to modify time of draw due to transfusion. “RN Minnie Mouse said to draw after 2 hours” This is a good practice and to protect you for any test modification. | Phlebotomist |
| SDS update | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SDS update in progress We are working to have SDS online this year It will improve ease of search and staff access | ALL STAFF |
| New Regional test: Candida Auris Surveillance | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Technical Bulletin | ALL STAFF |
| Vacutainer Blue Top tube  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ National shortage ❖ We are conserving our blue top tubes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Do not draw rainbow or extra unless extremely necessary or with an order ✚ Plan to validate/correlate 1.8 mL tube as back up | ALL STAFF |
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This concludes the Minutes of the __May 20, 2021__ Lab Staff Meeting.

Prepared by: _Patricia Chea, Marissa Calilung_ Date: _6/2/2021__

Mental Health Awareness Month is here!



We ALL have Mental Health Join our Heroes 4 Heroes Campaign

Many of our staff and physicians have been significantly impacted by the covid-19 pandemic. Those of us in the helping profession do not typically prioritize our own self-care, which can lead to depression, anxiety, insomnia and much more. In the workplace, this can have a direct impact on absenteeism, tardiness, lack of engagement and errors.

For this reason, and many others, we have partnered with UBT and our Health & Safety champions to bring mental health resources to your departments! We can all be heroes for mental health!

What you can do:

- Take the Mental Health training via KP Learn
- Share all available mental health resources
- Incorporate mental health info in your huddles
- Visit the Well-being for Healthcare Heroes Sharepoint at <https://sp-cloud.kp.org/sites/KPRiversideWell-BeingforOurHealthcareHeroes>

Wellness Wednesdays

Available Wednesdays during the month of May at RMC and MVMC.

MVMC: 11:30 am-1:30 pm

Location: Cafeteria

RMC: 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm

Location: Employee bridge

AFSP Hike for Hope

Join us on any trail of your choosing as we Hike for Hope, in partnership with the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP). Your participation brings much-needed awareness and attention to this prevalent mental health issue. By starting these conversations, we can save lives. Join our team at:

<https://afsp.donordrive.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=donorDrive.team&teamID=267096>

What lifts you up?

Visit our virtual message board and post pics, gifs or special messages in celebration of Mental Health Awareness Month!

<https://www.kudoboard.com/boards/KEqNoGHE>

Learn more at kp.org/mentalhealth

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Technical Bulletin

Laboratory Care Delivery System

NEW MOLECULAR CANDIDA AURIS COLONIZATION SCREEN AVAILABLE

The Laboratory Care Delivery System is pleased to announce that, effective Wednesday, **May 19, 2021**, the following PCR-based *Candida auris* inpatient screening orderable will be made available at the North Hollywood Regional Reference Laboratory: **CANDIDA AURIS SURVEILLANCE, NAA W/REFLEX FUNGAL CULTURE [87481C]**

Per public health recommendations, screening for *C. auris* colonization should be limited to the following indications:

- Roommates of suspected or confirmed *C. auris* patients / residents.
- Patients / residents who have had an overnight stay in a healthcare facility in a state or country with transmission or multiple cases of *C. auris* in the past 12 months.
- Patients / residents who are colonized with rare carbapenemase-producing organisms.
- Patients / residents on a mechanical ventilator or with tracheostomy being admitted from a long-term acute care hospital (LTAC) or skilled nursing facility (SNF).
- Patients / residents being admitted from a facility with transmission of *C. auris*.

A single, composite E-Swab of the bilateral axilla + groin is required. (Composite = 1 swab in total used for all sites.)

TEST INFORMATION

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| KPHC Order Display Name [Code] | CANDIDA AURIS SURVEILLANCE, NAA W/REFLEX FUNGAL CULTURE [87481C] | | |
| KRMS Procedure Name [Code] | CANDIDA AURIS W/RFX FUNGAL CUL [8748105] | | |
| Test Location | Regional Reference Laboratory, North Hollywood | | |
| CPT Code(s) | 87481 | | |
| Specimen Requirement | Composite (single) E-Swab from bilateral axilla + groin | | |
| Transport Temperature | Refrigerated | | |
| Testing Schedule | Monday - Friday | | |
| Turnaround Time | 1 - 3 days | | |
| Collection Label Test Mnemonic | C auris Rf | | |
| KPHC Result Components | Display Name | CID | Base Name |
| | CANDIDA AURIS ITS2 GENE, QUALITATIVE, NAA | 12430620 | CAURISPCR |

QUESTIONS?

- Client Service Center: 1-888-4LAB NFO, or tie line 8-397-7077
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