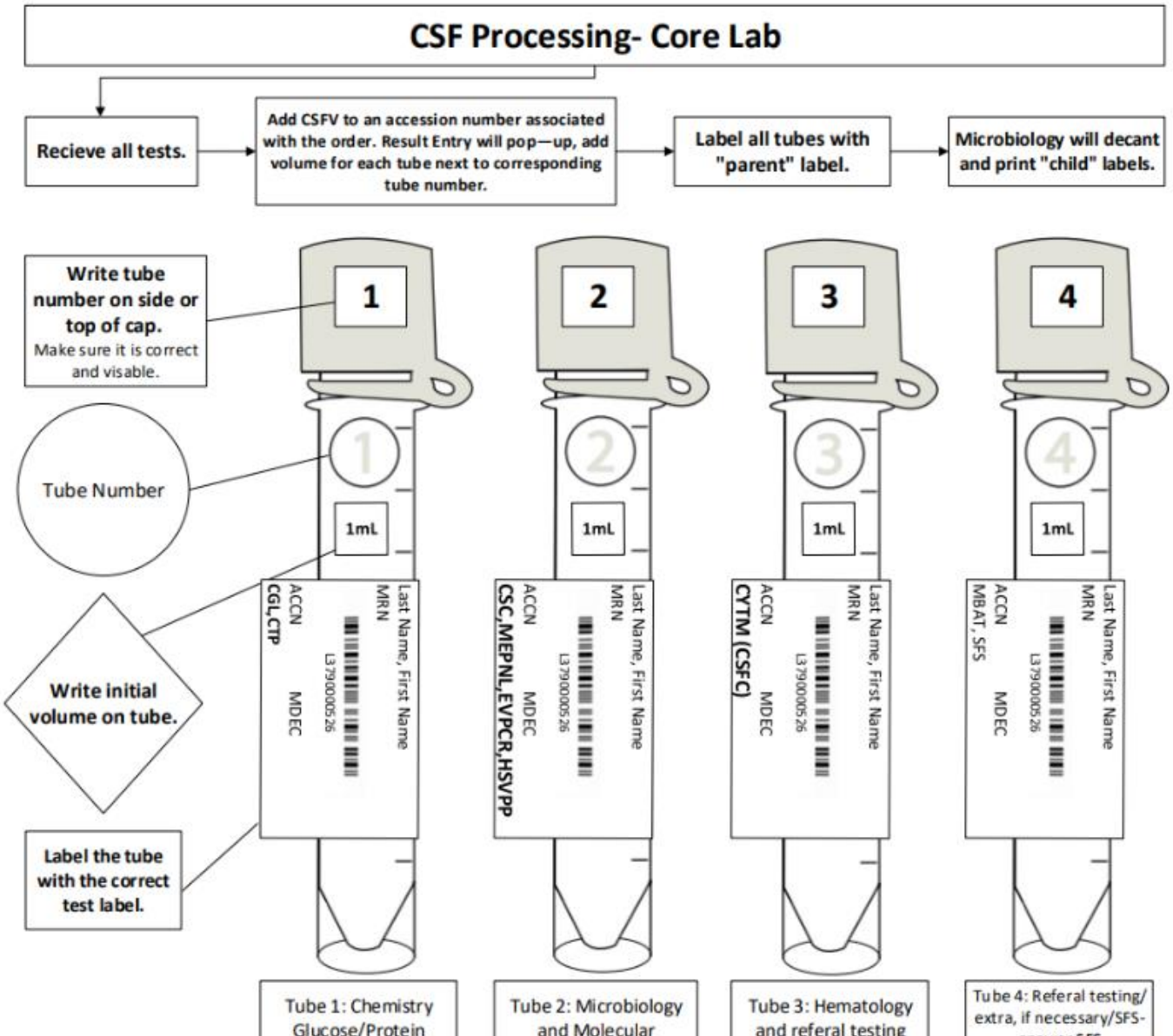
CSF Processing- Core Lab
Recieve all tests.
Add CSFV to an accession number associated with the order. Result Entry will pop—up, add volume for each tube next to corresponding tube number.
Label all tubes with "parent" label.
Microbiology will decant and print "child" labels.
Write tube number on side or top of cap.
Make sure it is correct and visable.
Tube Number
Write initial volume on tube.
Label the tube with the correct test label.
1
2
3
4
1mL
Last Name, First Name
MRN
L3790005 26
ACCN
MDEC
CGL,CTP
CSC,MEPNL,EVPCR,HSVPP
CYTM (CSFC)
MBAT, SFS
Tube 1: Chemistry Glucose/Protein
Tube 2: Microbiology and Molecular
Tube 3: Hematology and referal testing
Tube 4: Referal testing/ extra, if necessary/SFS-

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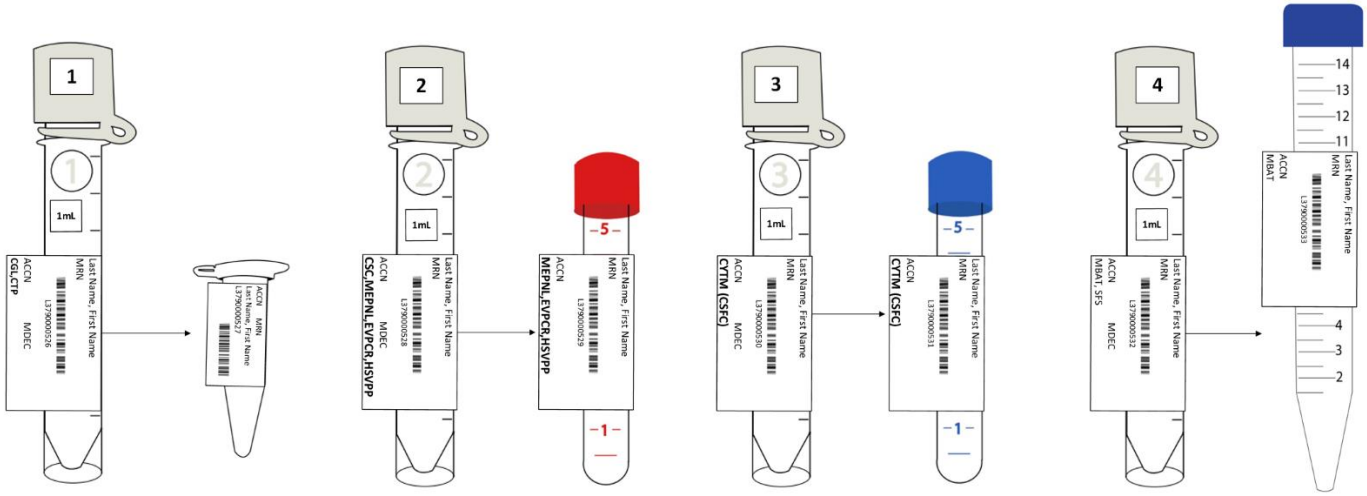

Tube 1:

Chemistry:
Aloquot .2mL into bullet tube
Label bullet tube with FOOT LABEL.

Tube 2:
Microbiology:
Setup culture and Gram Stain directly from original tube. If there are no red top tubes, use blue top 15mL conical tube.
Molecular:
Aliquot 1mL into red sterile screw top tube.
Label aliquot tube with LARGE LABEL.

Tube 3:
Hematology:
Aloquot 1mL into 5mL blue screw top tube.Label aliquot tube with LARGE LABEL.

Referal testing:
Refer to sendouts/testing destination for specimen requirements. Label aliquot tube with LARGE LABEL.

Tube 4:

Referal testing/extra, if necessary/SFS.
Label aliquot tube with LARGE LABEL.

Bring aliuot tubes to respective departments. Original tubes get racked in the Microbiology dept.