

SERVICE UPDATE

CAMPUS AFFECTED: Methodist, Proctor, Trinity

AFFECTS PATIENT CARE

TEST NAME:	Culture Urine	DATE OF CHANGE:	6/1/2017
REPLACING:	NA		
SPECIMEN TYPE:	Voided or Cathed urine		
ORDERING CODES:	EPIC:	LAB239	NEW: No change
	SQ:	VCURC	NEW: No change
OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION:	Negative urine cultures will be finalized within 24 hours of specimen set up which will allow for a faster turn around time.		

Negative urine cultures will be finalized within 24 hours instead of holding for 48 hours. Current literature states a urine culture only needs to be held 16-18 hours for pathogenic bacteria to grow. ID and susceptibility testing of positive cultures may still take 48-72 hours to finalize.

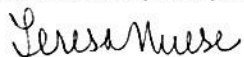
Bladder and suprapubic urine cultures will still be held 48 hours prior to finalizing negative cultures.

For further information Refer to UnityPoint Methodist Laboratory User Manual

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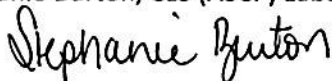
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