

SERVICE UPDATE

CAMPUS AFFECTED: Methodist, Proctor, Trinity Hospitals

AFFECTS PATIENT CARE

Please update all Providers and Staff

TEST NAME: Blood culture ID, CSF Film Array, Stool Film Array, MRSA PCR, C. difficile PCR, Group B strep

DATE OF CHANGE: 01/10/2017

REPLACING: Positive/Negative will be replaced by Detected/Not Detected

SPECIMEN TYPE: various

Reporting of molecular assays will be changing from *positive/negative* to detected/not detected. This is traditional nomenclature for diagnostic molecular methods and is also the nomenclature used by manufacturers of our current platforms for UPH molecular assays. UnityPoint Health Laboratories (system wide) will begin using this reporting system to be in line with current medical literature and the manufacturers that supply our platforms.

Detected is equivalent to a positive result.

Not detected is equivalent to a negative result.

For further information refer to UnityPoint Methodist Laboratory User Manual

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