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IMPORTANT NOTICE: Effective May 20, 2019, the urinalysis with microscopic reflex to urine culture criteria will change. These changes will only impact the Methodist, Pekin, and Proctor Labor & Delivery and Emergency Departments.

The UnityPoint Health Peoria region urine reflex to culture is changing to the following:

New Criteria
Moderate or greater Leukocyte Esterase or Nitrite AND >10 WBCs

Formerly, it was reported as:

Previous Criteria
Positive Leukocyte Esterase or Nitrite AND >5 WBCs

If the clinician thinks the patient has a urinary tract infection, they should order a culture and not rely on the UA results. This reflex algorithm is only for our ED and Labor and Delivery departments and helps us catch those patients that a urine culture order was missed on that may truly be infectious.

Specimen collection and ordering codes remain unchanged.

Order: Epic LAB348 - Urinalysis with Microscopic or Sunquest Lab Code UA

Collect: Collect a BD Non-Additive (pale yellow top) conical vacutainer tube **AND** a BD Boric Acid C&S tube (Urine Grey Top). Both provided in the BD Urine Vacutainer Collection Kit.



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