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Rejection Criteria	LIS Cancellation Comment	LIS Code
Specimen unlabeled	"Specimen not labeled. Not suitable for processing"	XUNL
Discrepancy between requisition and specimen	"Specimen container label does not match patient identification on requisition. Not suitable for processing"	XUML
Blue top urine 3 days old	"Specimen received 3 days after collection. Not suitable for processing. Please repeat collection if still indicated"	X72H
Stool culture 96h old	"Specimen received 4 days after collection. Not suitable for processing. Please repeat collection if still indicated"	X96H
Orange top urine 24h old	"Specimen received 24 hrs. after collection. Not suitable for processing. Please repeat collection if still indicated"	X24H
Sputum culture 48h old	"Specimen received 48 hrs. after collection. Not suitable for processing. Please repeat collection if still indicated"	X48H
C.diff 3 days old, unless frozen	"Specimen received 3 days after collection. Not suitable for processing. Please repeat collection if still indicated"	X72H
Positive C.diff within 7 days	"Testing not indicated. Patients with previous positive test should not have repeat testing for cure, unless they again come symptomatic after completion of therapy"	XCDP
Neg. C.diff within 7 days	"Testing not indicated. A single negative test is sufficient to rule out C.difficile"	XCDN
C.diff on formed stool	"Formed stool received. Analysis not performed"	XCDT
Stool not received in EPT	"Specimen not received in Enteric Transport Medium. Unsuitable for C&S"	XNEP
Stool on hospitalized patient 3 days	"This specimen was not cultured for community acquired enteric pathogens because the patient has been hospitalized for 3 or more days. Clostridium difficile toxin assay is recommended"	XSTL
Leaking container	"Specimen leaked in transport. No testing was performed. Please resubmit for testing"	XLIT
Insufficient quantity received	"Insufficient quantity for testing. Please resubmit if still indicated"	XIQ
Specimen is not suitable	"Sample is unsuitable for culture. Please recollect if clinically indicated"	XUNS
Duplicate specimens: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 sputum per 48h • 1 urine per 24h 	"Duplicate specimen collected on same day. Previous specimen will be tested"	XDUP

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