

Microbiology Laboratory Staff Meeting Minutes

February 13, 2019 12:00

1. GBS agar:

- We are hopefully going LIVE with the new agar this week. I will let everyone know when it happens and work with the urine bench technologist to ensure the transition goes smoothly.
- Went over the new GBS Screen procedure. Moses was concerned that
 we were not incubating the LIM broth for 18 to 24 hours. He is
 correct. Laura S will review this part of the procedure and come up
 with a solution. Laura S sent out an email to everyone with the
 change in workflow to accommodate this deficiency and that
 we will follow going forward.
- Went over the new keypad for GBS screen order. Pretty much the same as the previous. Solomon wanted the addition of blue colonies as an observation. Laura S fixed this in the keypad before go live.

2. N390 validation:

- We all finished the QC portion last week and everything went well.
- Now Laura S is working on the comparison portion.
- Laura S will need some sub culturing performed on the weekend, she will let you know.
- Laura S will get some staff to complete a portion of the comparison.
 This is better for a validation instead of only having the same person do all the work.

3. TB procedures:

- Laura S needs to update all the TB procedures and include the new things we will be able to do in the new hospital.
- Prov. Lab does a rapid test on positive MGIT tubes that will give a preliminary result.
- Laura S is going to Prov. Lab in March for 4 days to view their procedures to assist her with the writing of hers. Will be able to see supplies they use, PPE they use, etc. and bring those back to Stanton.
- Prov. Lab will still be coming up to Yellowknife to view how we are doing things once we get the TB lab back running and new procedures in place.



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4. Roundtable:

 Moses brought up how he had asked to go to Prov. Lab for education but was told he couldn't because someone was coming here instead. Laura S explained that she asked to go because she needs to write all the procedures and wants to have a good example to follow and that someone from Prov. Lab will be coming up once we get TB up and running again with some new procedures.