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| PROGRAM Standard Operating Procedure – Laboratory Services |                   |  |  |  |
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| Title: MIC36400 -  | Policy Number:    |  |  |  |
| Referral of Cat B Specimens to DL                          |                   |  |  |  |
| Program Name: Laboratory Services                          |                   |  |  |  |
| Applicable Domain: Lab, DI and Pharmacy Services           |                   |  |  |  |
| Additional Domain(s):                                      |                   |  |  |  |
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## **GUIDING PRINCIPLE:**

Organisms that cannot be identified or require further susceptibility testing need to be referred to *Dyna*LIFE (DL). TDG regulations need to be followed including paperwork and packaging.

### **PURPOSE/RATIONALE:**

To ensure microbiology Category B specimens are sent for referral testing to *Dyna*LIFE appropriately.

# SCOPE/APPLICABILITY:

This procedure applies to Medical Laboratory Technologists (MLTs) packaging Category B samples being referred to *DynaLIFE*.

## **SAMPLE INFORMATION:**

The following category B specimens need to be sent to DL for referral testing:

- Any organism that cannot be identified
- Any susceptibility testing that cannot be performed at Stanton microbiology laboratory
- Any susceptibility testing that requires confirmation

#### **SUPPLIES:**

- Copan Transystem Culture swab transport system (with or without charcoal)
- DynaLIFE Referred-In Isolate Submission Form
- Category B box
- Category B package supplies
- DL RG2 Biosafety fax coversheet

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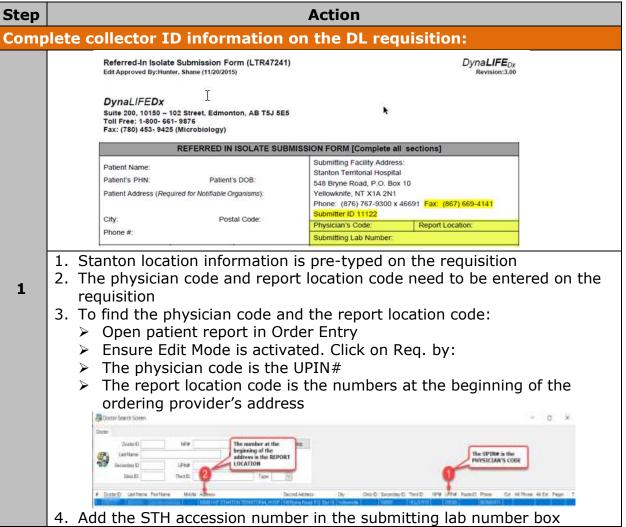
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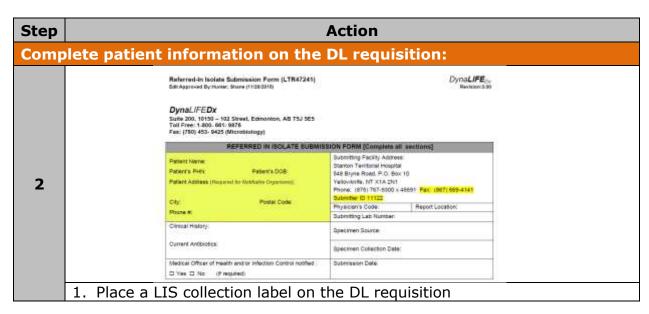
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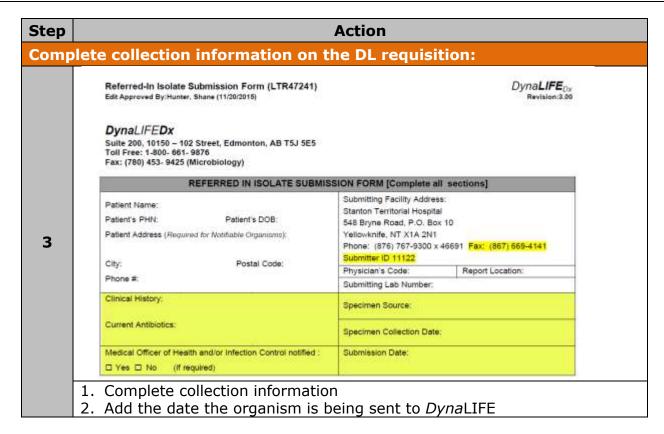
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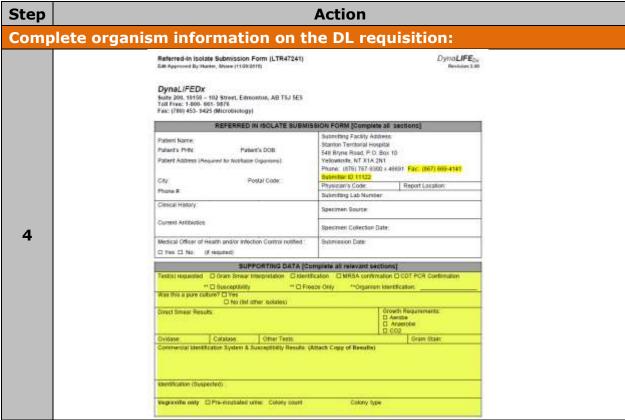
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Step **Action** Complete highlighted areas on the DL RG2 coversheet: Stanton Territorial Hospital – Microbiology Laboratory 548 Byrne Road, PO Box 10 - Yellowknife, NT X1A 2N1 Phone: 867 767-9300 [ext.46691] Health and Social Services Authority Fax: 867 669-4141 Tox DynaLife Dx Microbiology Laboratory From: STH Microbiology Laboratory Fax: 1 (780) 453 9425 **Pagest** 5 Phone: 1 (800) 661 9876 Date: Rec Transfer of Human Pathogens CC: sh biosafetystopy.nt.ca (L-R2-09731-22-BK-00) STH Microbiology laboratory is transferring a package containing a Risk Group 2 Human pathogen to your facility The sample is to be directed to the program. Weigh Bill number of this shipment is If you do NOT receive this package within 72 hours of this notification, please inform the STH microbiology laboratory at (867) 767-9300 X 48891 AND email sth. biosafety@gov.nt.ca. Thank you

| Step  | Action   |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|
| Order a referred test in result entry screen: |  |  |  |  |
| 6   | <ol> <li>Select Add Test</li> <li>Choose appropriate reference code: ?REFD- DynaLIFE</li> <li>Select Ok</li> <li>Add a period (.) in the results line</li> <li>Final report the test line</li> </ol> |  |  |  |

Name of STH employee sending sample

| Step                                  | Action  |  |  |  |
|---------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|
| Complete Category B send-out process: |   |  |  |  |
| 7                                     | <ol> <li>Print off any Vitek results for organism being referred</li> <li>Submit organism on a labelled agar plate sealed with parafilm or on a labelled C&amp;S swab</li> <li>Photocopy all papers and staple together. Hole punch photocopy stack and place in the <i>Dyna</i>LIFE and ProvLab Pending Referrals binder         <ul> <li>Ensure the report is filed under the correct tab (<i>Dyna</i>LIFE, Cat B)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Place a requisiton label on the DL requisition and scan into SoftMedia</li> <li>Pack specimen up according to TDG Category B regulations         <ul> <li>Send original paperwork with specimen</li> </ul> </li> <li>Email completed coversheet to email locations listed</li> <li>Place Category B box in the Category B overpack box in the core lab specimen receiving area for shipment to <i>Dyna</i>LIFE</li> </ol> |  |  |  |

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#### **REFERENCES:**

1. DynaLIFE DX Referred-In Isolate Submission Form (LTR47241), revision 3.00

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## **REVISION HISTORY:**

| REVISION | DATE      | Description of Change                                  | REQUESTED<br>BY |
|----------|-----------|--|-----------------|
| 1.0      | 28 Apr 17 | Initial Release  | L. Steven       |
| 2.0      | 25 Feb 19 | Procedure reviewed                                     | L. Steven       |
| 3.0      | 30 Apr 21 | Procedure reviewed and added to NTHSSA policy template | L. Steven       |
| 4.0      | 21 Apr 23 | Procedure reviewed                                     | L. Steven       |
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