

## Microbiology Meeting Minutes

June 14, 2023

12:15 to 12:45

1. Susceptibility comments in ASTM are like doing sens:
  - If you add a susceptibility comment that is doing sensitivity.
  - If procedure says to do susceptibility and ASTM says it is a comment that is doing susceptibility.
  - If procedure doesn't say to do susceptibility than do not add comment
  
2. Flights from communities:
  - Moses let us know that now that Canadian North has decreased the number of flights, some communities only have a flight once a week
  - This will mean that samples will potentially arrive a week after collection. This is ok but we need to make sure we put the delay comment to document that the sample is older
  
3. New bench-respiratory:
  - In order to take away some samples from the wound bench, Laura S would like to create a respiratory bench
  - The duties of this bench will continue to be the respiratory PCR, MTB PCR and will now include eyes, ears, nose and sputum
  - We will evaluate this to see if it is helping
  - Hoping to be able to take the dark room back and will be able to move the microscope to make more room on the current microscope bench
  
4. Monthly maintenance will be divided up and done by Wednesday QC tech:
  - Vitek and BACTEC will be first Wednesday
  - GeneXpert will be second Wednesday
  - BioFire will be third Wednesday
  - Equipment (incubator, fridges, etc.) will be fourth Wednesday
  
5. Roundtable:
  - Moses: wanted to make sure everyone knows that colonies look different on BA and CNA but both will grow on BRU