

Microbiology Meeting Minutes

May 1, 2024
12:15 to 12:45

Attendee	Present?	Attendee	Present?
Laura S	✓	Chelsea	✓
Moses	✓	Jen	
Solomon	✓	Katie	✓
Laura G	✓		
Minutes recorder: Laura S			

1. Solomon's courses:
 - Solomon took some interesting courses from ASCP
 - Solomon talked about his courses. He found them to be good courses, better than the CSMLS courses
 - One was MRSA, one was on C.diff and another one about diptheroids

2. Carbapenem resistance:
 - When we get this result, we first need to repeat it and make sure the plate is not mixed or it is not an error
 - If the repeat is the same, we need to send to DL for confirmation but still need to report the result, so the floor/IPAC/ OCPHO know
 - Put the comment that the sample has been sent for confirmation, that way we are saying we got the result, but we cannot confirm it
 - Moses asked if we could make a comment like the one for ESBL? We will see what the DL comment is and make a new one if need to

3. Accreditation:
 - Went well
 - They were extremely impressed with micro. They spoke to Moses and Laura and me
 - The accreditor commented on how much less room we have than the core lab, but she said that we are highly organized and are making use of all the space we have well and in a useful way
 - She really liked that we had taken all the micro for the territory and thought that was a great thing. She liked how we created a new bench to help with all this work. She was very impressed with the micro lab, and we were the ones she mainly talked about to others
 - We should all feel good about this. Our enthusiasm and dedication to our work really came through and she really admired how we all worked together to solve issues and how important the work we do is to us all

4. Respiratory bench/microscope:
 - One thing the accreditor said was we really need to use the TB room since it is a large space, and we have limited space
 - I told her that is why we moved the microscope in there, but it is a bit of a pain since we need to bring slides in there

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- She asked about moving the respiratory bench in there and putting the microscope back where it was. She asked what we used more and what would be beneficial to us all
 - What do we think of this? If having the microscope back where it was would be more useful, we should do this and move the respiratory bench to the TB room
 - We will be getting rid of the respiratory bench anyways when Solomon retires so should we start doing it now?
5. VITEK setup:
- Please put the last 3 numbers on your tubes before loading on the VITEK
 - With the new software we need to do this so when we make our purity plates, we know for sure what sample is in what tube
 - We need to start this right away
6. Label printer:
- If you remove a label, forward the printer to the next full label
 - If this is not done the next label that is printed will be on 2 labels
7. Urine culture labels:
- There are now 2 specimen labels printing for urine culture
 - This is for lab outpatients to help so they do not miss urine cultures
 - We do not need it for micro, but it must be for every order not just certain user
8. Roundtable:
- No one had anything to discuss