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Microbiology Specimen Receiving Manual

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**Microbiology Samples Performed at STH:**

Test	LIS	Ordering Notes	Storage
AFB/MTB PCR	PCMTB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indicate source</li> <li>Indicate specimen number</li> </ul>	Refrigerated
BV (bacterial vaginosis) screens	SCBV	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Refer to Vag. Job Aid</li> </ul>	Room temperature
Blood cultures	CXSET CXBAE CXBAN CXBPE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add site if indicated</li> </ul>	Refer to MIC10200-After Hours BC Handling
Body fluid culture	CXFLD CXFBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add source of specimen</li> <li>Add site of specimen</li> </ul>	Room temperature
<i>C. difficile</i> PCR	PCCDI		Refrigerated
COVID-19 PCR	PCCOV	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Refer COVID job aid</li> </ul>	Refrigerated
CSF culture	CXCSF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If from shunt, indicate in source</li> </ul>	Room temperature
Ear culture	CXEAR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add site of specimen</li> </ul>	Room temperature
Eye culture	CXEYE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add source of specimen</li> <li>Add site of specimen</li> </ul>	Room temperature
Genital culture	CXGEN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add source of specimen</li> <li>Add site of specimen</li> <li>Refer to BV Job Aid</li> </ul>	Room temperature
Gonorrhoeae Culture	CXGON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add source of specimen</li> </ul>	Room temperature
Group B screen	SCGRB		Room temperature
IUD culture	CXIUD		Room temperature
MRO screen	SCMRO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add site of specimen</li> </ul>	Room temperature
MRSA screen	SCMRS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add source of specimen</li> </ul>	Room temperature
Nose culture	CXNOS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Screen for <i>S. aureus</i> only</li> </ul>	Room temperature
Oral culture	CXORL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Screen for yeast only</li> </ul>	Room temperature
Respiratory bacterial culture	CXRES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add source of specimen</li> </ul>	Refrigerated
Respiratory viral pathogen panel PCR	PCRES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Refer to COVID job aid</li> </ul>	Refrigerated
Tip culture	CXTIP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add site of specimen</li> </ul>	Room temperature
Throat culture	CXTHR		Room temperature
<i>Trichomonas</i> screen	SCTRI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add source of specimen</li> </ul>	Room temperature
Urine culture	CXURN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add source of specimen</li> </ul>	Blue top-RT Orange top-Fridge
VRE screen	SCVRE		Room temperature
Wound culture-superficial	CXWDS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add source of specimen</li> <li>Add site of specimen</li> </ul>	Room temperature
Wound culture-deep	CXWDD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add source of specimen</li> <li>Add site of specimen</li> </ul>	Room temperature
Yeast culture	CXYST	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add source of specimen</li> </ul>	Room temperature








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**Microbiology Samples Referred Out:**

Test	LIS Code	Ordering Notes	Storage
Aptima Chlamydia/Gonorrhoeae-Swab 	MRGEN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indicate source</li> </ul>	Room temperature
Aptima Chlamydia/Gonorrhoeae-Urine 	UCHL		Room temperature
<i>B. pertussis</i> samples 	BPNA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indicate source</li> </ul>	Refrigerated
Fungal culture	MRFUN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indicate source</li> </ul>	Room temperature
Legionella culture	MRLEG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indicate source</li> </ul>	Refrigerated
Mycoplasma/Ureaplasma 	URMYC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indicate source</li> </ul>	Refrigerated
Non-respiratory viral samples 	VIRO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indicate source</li> </ul>	Refrigerated
AFB culture samples 	MRAFB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indicate source</li> </ul>	Refrigerated
Stool bacterial samples 	MRSTO		Refrigerated
Tissue culture	MRTIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indicate source</li> </ul>	Room temperature

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