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Referring Positive COVID to NML Job Aid

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Microbiology Specimen Receiving Manual

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Steps for referring Positive COVID samples to NML for sequencing:

Retrieve samples from rack in fridge labelled "Positive COVID for Referral" and complete spreadsheet with sample information for each COVID being sent.

- Find the required sample information from Result Entry in LIS
- To find this spreadsheet, go to:
- 1 NTHSSA Share -> Stanton Hospital Share -> Lab -> Microbiology -> IRVC COVID send out -> IRVC COVID log template-2023 -> IRVC COVID log template-2023.xlsx
 - When complete, **SAVE AS** with the date being sent (Ex. Sent 2023-01-
 - Print **2** copies

Complete FedEx waybill

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Required information can be handwritten or use premade labels located in NML Send Out Forms binder (remember to place on all pages of waybill)

Fill out the form with required information to be faxed to IRVC

• To find this form, go to:

NTHSSA Share - Stanton Hospital Share - Lab - Microbiology - IRVC COVID send out - IRVC Fax form - Fax Form for IRVC.doc

- Print 1 copy
- Fill in the highlighted areas
- Fax a copy of this form and spreadsheet to the number below Facsimile Transmittal Sheet for Notification of Incoming Specimens

Feuille de Transmission Pour Télécopieur Attestant l'Arrivée de

Spécimens Date: To/A: Influenza and Respiratory Viruses, and Coronaviruses Section National Microbiology Laboratory Canadian Science Centre for Human and Animal Health Winnipeg, MB Fax/Télécopieur:_(204) 789-2082 Please complete the following: Fax/Télécopieur : (867) 669-4141 (867) 767-9300 Ext. 46691 Phone/Téléphone : Number of pages, including this transmittal sheet: Nombre de pages, incluant cette feuille de transmission : _ Number of specimens sent : Nombre de spécimens envoyés : The date the package was sent and Tracking/Waybill: waybill# La date à laquelle le colis a été envoyé et le suivi/lettre de transport: Test requested : COVID Variant Screening
Test demandé :

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Email IRVC general email to notify them of the shipment, including:

- How many samples
- Where they are coming from
- Date

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FedEx waybill tracking number

Email: nml.irv-ivr.lnm@phac-aspc.gc.ca

Note: Indicate in email that the shipment is being sent via Edmonton, AB.

Prepare samples and box (in TB room) to be sent according to TDG Category B regulations.

- Pack box with ice pack(s)
- Include a paper copy of the spreadsheet in a clear plastic biohazard bag to prevent it from getting wet
- Ensure box has all required labels (labels located in Specimen Receiving area)



- Staple together and hole punch the faxed form and second copy of the spreadsheet and place in the NML Pending Referral Reports binder.
- Place box on countertop in core lab receiving are with the FedEx waybill on top of the box.

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