

Microbiology Meeting Minutes May 21 , 2025 12:00 to 13:00

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

1. Weekly check-in:
 - Moses wanted to bring up samples from FS. He received a blood culture that wasn't received and had to troubleshoot the issue and sent an email to Elwood. Laura S let everyone know that there will be changes at the FS lab and hopefully we can get these types of incident resolved
 - Moses also let us know that FS is not sending samples as room temperature and refrigerated. We have previously discussed this and at this time, they cannot send 2 separate shipments. So we decided that room temperature is the safest option. Hopefully this will change as well
2. Safety concerns:
 - No safety concerns this week to discuss due to issues with BACTEC and short amount of meeting time
3. EQA Surveys:
 - We will discuss the CMPT survey next week due to reduced meeting time
4. Accreditation:
 - No updates for this week
5. HPV:
 - Don't send sample label in pouch of bag but if can help it but isn't the end of the world. It is just causing them to add letters to the accession number on their reports but no one else sees that
 - There can be more than 1 positive result. One report had 3. As previously discussed, just add one of the positives and then manually change the other one(s)
 - One issue is we do not know when we send each sample to Ottawa. We cannot task list these samples since it is a micro test. Chelsea had a good idea that we plate it right before we send it. The we know the "plated" date is the date we sent it to Ottawa. What do we think about this? It is hard to follow up with results if we don't know what date they were sent. HR will have to track their own-**Laura S has made a new NOT PLATED worklist called REHPV NOT PLATED. All REHPV orders will go on this list and not the general NOT PLATED list**

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- Do not need to add a copy to SLAB. We will be getting a copy of the report, so we do not need another copy to print for the lab. It is not like APL samples where we do need a physical copy of the report
 - HR samples are not being received or plated here at STH. Since they are sending them themselves, we can ignore them on our list but when we go to the reports we will then need to receive and plate them. Anyone have any better ways of doing this-**There really isn't an ideal way to deal with this so we will need to go in and receive and plate them when we get the sample report back from Bio-Test labs**
6. Vaginal genital cultures:
- Inuvik contacted Laura S yesterday to let her know she had a vaginal swab that had genital culture ordered so she sent it to APL. They rejected the genital culture since there was no clinical history and then they rejected the BV since it wasn't in an APTIMA tube
 - Laura S has changed the vaginal swab flow chart to say if we get a vaginal swab and it doesn't have the correct clinical history, order CXGEN, cancel it in OE then order the SCBV. There is no point in sending them when we know they will be rejected
 - Everyone go over the flow chart
7. Roundtable:
- No one had anything