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**INFECTIOUS AGENTS: CULTURE/DETECTION**

TYPE OR PRINT REQUIRED INFORMATION OR PLACE LABELS ON BOTH COPIES	<input type="checkbox"/> EH <input type="checkbox"/> FP <input type="checkbox"/> MTY/PN <input type="checkbox"/> NOD <input type="checkbox"/> STD <input type="checkbox"/> TB <input type="checkbox"/> CD <input type="checkbox"/> COR		Patient SS # (last 4 digits):																				
	Health Care Provider		Last Name <input type="checkbox"/> SR <input type="checkbox"/> JR <input type="checkbox"/> Other:																				
	Address		First Name M.I.																				
	City	County	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) / /																				
	State Zip Code		Address																				
	Contact Name:		City County																				
	Phone #	Fax #	State Zip Code																				
	Test Request Authorized by:																						
	Sex: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Transgender M to F <input type="checkbox"/> Transgender F to M		Ethnicity: Hispanic or Latino Origin? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No																				
	Race: <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian/Alaska Native <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> Black/African American <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander <input type="checkbox"/> White																						
	MRN/Case #	DOC #	Outbreak #	Submitter Lab #																			
	Date Collected:		Time Collected: <input type="checkbox"/> a.m. <input type="checkbox"/> p.m.	Onset Date: ___/___/___																			
	Reason for Test: <input type="checkbox"/> Screening <input type="checkbox"/> Diagnosis <input type="checkbox"/> Contact <input type="checkbox"/> Test of Cure <input type="checkbox"/> 2-3 Months Post Rx <input type="checkbox"/> Suspected Carrier <input type="checkbox"/> Isolate for ID <input type="checkbox"/> Release																						
	Therapy/Drug Treatment: <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes Therapy/Drug Type: _____ Therapy/Drug Date: ___/___/___																						
<b>↓ SPECIMEN SOURCE CODE</b>		<b>↓ SPECIMEN SOURCE CODE</b>		<b>↓ SPECIMEN SOURCE CODE</b>																			
<b>BACTERIOLOGY</b>		<b>MYCOBACTERIOLOGY/AFB/TB</b>		<b>SPECIAL BACTERIOLOGY</b>																			
Bacterial Culture - Routine		AFB/TB Culture and Smear		Legionella Culture																			
Add'l Specimen Codes: _____		AFB/TB Referred Isolate for ID		Leptospira																			
<i>Bordetella pertussis</i>		<i>M. tuberculosis</i> referred Isolate for genotyping		Mycoplasma (Outbreak Investigation Only)																			
Group A Strep		Nuclear Acid Amplification Test for		<b>RESTRICTED TESTS</b> Pre-approved submitters only																			
Group B Strep Screen		<i>M. tuberculosis</i> Complex (GeneXpert)																					
<i>C. difficile</i> Toxin		<b>PARASITOLOGY</b>		<i>Chlamydia trachomatis</i> /GC NAAT																			
Diphtheria		Blood Parasites: _____		**Norovirus (See comment on reverse)																			
Foodborne Pathogens		Country visited outside US:		QuantIFERON																			
<i>(B. cereus, C. perfringens, S. aureus)</i>		Ova & Parasites		Incubation: Time began: _____ a.m./p.m.																			
Gonorrhea Culture:		Immigrant? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		Time ended: _____ a.m./p.m.																			
Incubated? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		Cryptosporidium		<b>OTHER TESTS FOR INFECTIOUS AGENTS</b>																			
Hours Incubated: _____		Cyclospora/Isospora																					
Add'l specimen Codes: _____		Microsporidium																					
MRSA (rule out)		Pinworm																					
VRE (rule out)		<b>VIRUS/CHLAMYDIA</b>		Test Name: _____          Prior arrangements have been made with the following MDH Labs Administration employee: _____																			
<b>ENTERIC INFECTIONS</b>		Adenovirus*																					
Campylobacter		<i>Chlamydia trachomatis</i> culture																					
<i>E. coli</i> O157 typing/Shiga toxins		Cytomegalovirus (CMV)																					
Enteric Culture - Routine		Enterovirus (Includes Echo & Coxsackie)																					
<i>(Salmonella, Shigella, E. coli O157, Campylobacter)</i>		Herpes Simplex Virus (Types 1 & 2)																					
Salmonella typing		Influenza (Types A & B)* Rapid Flu Test:																					
Shigella typing		Type: _____																					
<i>Vibrio</i>		Result: <input type="checkbox"/> Negative <input type="checkbox"/> Positive																					
Yersinia		Patient admitted to hospital? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No																					
<b>REFERENCE MICROBIOLOGY</b>		Parainfluenza (Types 1, 2 & 3)*		<b>SPECIMEN SOURCE CODES</b>  <b>PLACE CODE IN BOX NEXT TO TEST</b>  <table style="width:100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">B Blood</td> <td style="width: 50%;">SP Sputum</td> </tr> <tr> <td>BW Bronchial Washing</td> <td>T Throat</td> </tr> <tr> <td>CSF Cerebrospinal Fluid</td> <td>URE Urethra</td> </tr> <tr> <td>CX Cervix/Endocervix</td> <td>UFV Urine (1<sup>st</sup> Void)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>E Eye</td> <td>UCC Urine (Clean Catch)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>F Feces</td> <td>V Vagina</td> </tr> <tr> <td>N Nasopharynx/Nasal</td> <td>W Wound</td> </tr> <tr> <td>P Penis</td> <td>O Other: _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td>R Rectum</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>		B Blood	SP Sputum	BW Bronchial Washing	T Throat	CSF Cerebrospinal Fluid	URE Urethra	CX Cervix/Endocervix	UFV Urine (1 <sup>st</sup> Void)	E Eye	UCC Urine (Clean Catch)	F Feces	V Vagina	N Nasopharynx/Nasal	W Wound	P Penis	O Other: _____	R Rectum	
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ABC's (BIDS) # _____		Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)*																					
Organism: _____		VARICELLA (VZV)																					
Bacteria Referred Culture for ID		*MAY INCLUDE RESPIRATORY SCREENING PANEL																					
Specify: _____		Comments: _____																					

### CLINIC CODES

EH – Employee Health  
FP – Family Planning  
MTY/PN – Maternity/Prenatal  
NOD – Nurse of Day  
STD/STI – Sexually Transmitted Disease/Infections  
CD- Communicable Disease  
COR – Correctional Facility  
**Do not mark a box if clinic type does not apply**

### COMPLETING FORM

Type or print legibly  
Printed labels are recommended  
Please place labels on all copies of form  
**Print or type the name of the person Authorized to order test(s)** (this may be added to the pre-printed label).  
Press **firmly** – two part form  
**Collection date and time are required by Law.**  
**WRITE SPECIMEN CODE** in box next to test  
  
\*Specimen/samples cannot be processed without a requested test.

### NOROVIRUS – Outbreak Number Required

Appropriate for outbreak and epidemiological investigations **only**.

**A MDH outbreak number is required.**

Contact your local health department for a MDH outbreak number.

**Questions/comments on the use of the specimen bags/storage/shipping or completing the form contact:**

**Accessioning Unit 443-681-3842 or 443-681-3793**

**To order collection kits and/or specimen collection supplies, contact:**

**Outfit Unit 443-681-3777, Fax 443-681-3850 or E-mail [mdlabs.outfits@maryland.gov](mailto:mdlabs.outfits@maryland.gov)**

**For Specific Test Requirements Refer to:**

**“Guide to Public Health Laboratory Services”**

**Available online: [mdh.maryland.gov/laboratories](http://mdh.maryland.gov/laboratories)**

### LABELING SPECIMENS/SAMPLES

**Printed labels with all required patient information are recommended.**

**Print** patient name, date of birth.

Print date and time the specimen was collected.

**DO NOT** cover expiration date of collection container.

**Write specimen source on the collection container(s).**

### PACKAGING SPECIMENS FOR TRANSPORT

**Never place specimens with different temperature requirements in the same bio-bag.**

Use one (1) bio-bag per temperature requirement.

Review test request form to ensure all test(s) have been marked.

**Verify all specimens have been labeled.**

Place folded request form(s) in the outer pouch of bio-bag.

Multiple specimens from the same patient with the same temperature requirements must be packaged together in one (1) bio-bag.

### URINE SPECIMENS – Refrigerate PACKAGING AND SHIPPING

**Double bag all urine specimens.**

Urine specimens require absorbent towel in bio-bag with specimen (express excess air before sealing).

Place bagged urine specimen in second bio-bag with all refrigerated specimens from the same patient.

Place folded test request form(s) in outer pouch of second bag.