



**Example: Influenza Diagnostic**

**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/STI <input type="checkbox"/> TB <input type="checkbox"/> CD <input type="checkbox"/> COR	Patient SS # (last 4 digits)
Health Care Provider/ Facility	Last Name <input type="checkbox"/> SR <input type="checkbox"/> JR <input type="checkbox"/> Other
Address	First Name <b>3) Patient's First and Last Name (REQUIRED)</b>
City <b>1) Health Care Provider - Facility location (REQUIRED)</b>	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) <b>4) Date of Birth (REQUIRED)</b>
State <b>2) Test Request Authorized By (TRAB) - Name and</b>	Address <b>5) Patient Address</b>
Contact <b>credentials of ordering clinician/provider (REQUIRED)</b>	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 <b>6) Patient Demographics</b>	
MRN/Case #	Dept. of Corrections # Outbreak # Submitter Lab #
Date Collected: <b>7) Date Collected (REQUIRED)</b>	Time Collected: <b>8) Time (REQUIRED)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> a.m. <input type="checkbox"/> p.m. Onset Date: <b>9) Onset Symptoms (REQUIRED)</b>
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: / /	

BACTERIOLOGY	PARASITOLOGY	SPECIAL BACTERIOLOGY
Bacterial Culture - Routine	Blood Parasites Country visited outside US:	Legionella Culture
<i>Bordetella pertussis</i>	Ova & Parasites Immigrant? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Leptospira
Group A Strep-Clinical	Cryptosporidium	Mycoplasma (Outbreak Investigation Only)
Group B Strep Screen-Clinical	Cyclospora/Isospora	<b>RESTRICTED TESTS</b> Pre-approved submitters only
<i>C. difficile</i> Toxin	Microsporidium	<i>Chlamydia trachomatis</i> /GC NAAT
Diphtheria	Pinworm	**Norovirus-Outbreak Number Required
Foodborne Pathogens ( <i>B. cereus</i> , <i>C. perfringens</i> , <i>S. aureus</i> )	<b>VIROLOGY</b>	<b>QuantIFERON</b> Incubation: Time Began: ___ a.m. p.m. Time ended: ___ a.m. p.m.
Gonorrhea Culture: Incubated? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Hours Incubated: ___	<i>Chlamydia trachomatis</i> Culture	<b>Antibiotic Resistance Lab Network- ARLN</b>
MRSA (rule out)	Cytomegalovirus (CMV)	Carbapenem Resistance Reference
VRE (rule out)	Herpes Simplex Virus (Types 1 & 2)	Yeast Culture Reference
<b>ENTERIC INFECTIONS</b>	Varicella (VZV)	Aspergillus fumigatus Azole Testing
Campylobacter	Enterovirus* <b>10) REQUIRED</b>	<b>OTHER TESTS FOR INFECTIOUS AGENTS</b>
<i>E. coli</i> O 157 typing/shiga toxins	COVID-19 (SARS-CoV-2)*	Test Name: _____
Enteric Culture - Routine (Salmonella, Shigella, <i>E. coli</i> O157, Campylobacter)	Influenza (Types A & B)* POC Testing Method: <b>N/A</b>	Prior arrangements have been made with the following MDH Labs Administration employee: _____
Salmonella typing	Result: <input type="checkbox"/> Negative <input type="checkbox"/> Positive infA <input type="checkbox"/> Positive infB	
Shigella typing	Patient admitted to hospital? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
<i>Vibrio</i>	Subtype (If applicable): _____	
Yersinia	NIRV (Non-Influenza Respiratory Viruses)* (Might include: Adenovirus, Human Metapneumovirus (hMPV), Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV), and Parainfluenza viruses 1 - 3)	<b>Specimen Receipt Temperature (For MDH Lab Use ONLY):</b> _____ °C
<b>REFERENCE MICROBIOLOGY</b>	*MIGHT INCLUDE RESPIRATORY SCREENING PANEL	<b>SPECIMEN SOURCE CODES PLACE CODE IN BOX NEXT TO TEST</b>
ABC's (BIDS) # _____	Comments: _____	<b>B</b> Blood Specimen <b>SP</b> Sputum Specimen
Organism: _____		<b>BAL</b> Bronchoalveolar lavage fluid sample <b>T</b> Throat Swab
Bacteria Referred Culture for ID		<b>BW</b> Bronchial Washings <b>URE</b> Urethral Swab
Specify: _____		<b>CSF</b> Cerebrospinal Fluid Sample <b>UFV</b> Urine (1st Void)
<b>MYCOBACTERIOLOGY/AFB/TB</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Submitted For Regulatory Compliance and/or Surveillance** (Test Result(s) Not Issued) Surveillance Program (If Applicable): _____	<b>CX</b> Cervical Swab <b>UCC</b> Urine (Clean Catch)
AFB/TB Culture and Smear	**Must also mark a test condition	<b>N</b> Nasopharyngeal Swab <b>V</b> Vaginal Swab
AFB/TB Referred Isolate for ID		<b>P</b> Penis Swab <b>11) REQUIRED</b> Wound Swab
<i>M. tuberculosis</i> referred Isolate for genotyping		<b>R</b> Rectum Swab <b>O</b> Other: _____
NUCLEIC Acid Amplification Test for <i>M. tuberculosis</i> Complex (GeneXpert)		<b>S</b> Stool Specimen

### CLINIC CODES

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

### COMPLETING FORM

Press firmly – two part form  
Type or print legibly  
Printed labels are recommended  
Please place labels on all copies of the form  
Print or type the name of the person authorized to order test(s)  
(This may be added to the pre-printed label.)  
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 Information:**

**Outfit Unit 443-681-3777 or Fax 443-681-3850**

**E-mail [mdhlabs.outfits@maryland.gov](mailto:mdhlabs.outfits@maryland.gov)**

**For specific test requirements refer to:**

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

**Available Online:**

**[health.maryland.gov/laboratories/Pages/home.aspx](http://health.maryland.gov/laboratories/Pages/home.aspx)**

### 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.**

Review the Test Request Form to verify completeness including that the desired test(s) has/have been marked.

Use a separate bio-bag for each form and each temperature requirement. Place the specimen container in the zip lock portion of the bio-bag and seal it closed. Place the folded Test Request Form in the outside pocket of the bio-bag.

If multiple specimen containers are required for various tests marked on 1 form, place each container in a separate bio-bag to protect it from leakage/breakage of the other containers. Then place them all into an outer bio-bag with the Test Request Form in the pocket.

**Verify that all specimen containers have been labeled as described above.**

### URINE SPECIMENS – Refrigerate PACKAGING AND SHIPPING

**Double bag urine containers.** Include absorbent material in the inner bio-bag and express air before sealing. Place this in a second bio-bag with the folded Test Request Form in the pocket of the outer bio-bag. Transport at refrigerated temperature.