

MEMO

TO: CCLS Clients
FROM: CCLS – Specimen Referral Center
DATE: 12/14/2023
SUBJECT: Herpes Simplex Viral Culture, Neonatal

Effective December 28, Mayo will be making changes to the following test:

HERPES SIMPLEX VIRUS CULTURE, NEONATAL, MAYO CODE VHSV (LAB1418)

Explanation: Herpes Simplex Virus (HSV), Culture from Neonates, Varies will become obsolete on December 28. Molecular methods offer improved sensitivity and faster turnaround time. The following tests are recommended to assist in the evaluation of suspected HSV neonatal infection.

Recommended Alternative Test (Source Based):

HSVPV: Herpes Simplex Virus, Non-Blood, PCR (LA0201806)

HSVPB: Herpes Simplex Virus, Blood, PCR (LAB0234805)

HSVC: Herpes Simplex Virus, CSF, Virus (LAB0213058)

Please feel free to contact the Specimen Referrals Center with any questions at 320-251-2700 Ext. 57320