

MEMO

TO: CCLS Clients
FROM: CCLS – Specimen Referral Center
DATE: March 31, 2021
SUBJECT: HERPES SIMPLEX VIRUS PCR testing

Effective immediately, Mayo will be forwarding specimens to an alternative lab for the following tests due to reagent issues:

HERPES SIMPLEX VIRUS, BLOOD, PCR, MAYO CODE HERPB (LAB0234805)

HERPES SIMPLEX VIRUS, NON-BLOOD, PCR, MAYO CODE HERPV (LAB0201806)

Explanation:

These tests will be referred to Quest Infectious Disease due to manufacturer reagent issue. With this change, ***all swabs collected must be placed into a viral transport media (VTM). E-Swabs and/or swabs not in VTM are not acceptable and will be cancelled.***

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