

## **MEMO**

TO: Client

FROM: CCLS – Specimen Referral Center

**DATE:** October 11, 2023

SUBJECT: Mycoplasma pneumoniae, PCR

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

## MYCOPLASMA PNEUMONIAE, PCR, MAYO CODE MPRP (LAB0213009)

**Explanation:** Respiratory fluid and body fluid specimens submitted for this test will no longer be accepted if sent in viral transport media (VTM). These fluids should be transported in a sterile container not containing media.

## **Current Fluid Specimen Requirement**

Specimen Type: Respiratory Supplies: M4-RT (T605) Sources: Bronchial washing, bronchoalveolar lavage, tracheal

secretions, sputum Container/Tube:

Preferred: Sterile container

**Acceptable:** Specimen in M4, M4-RT, M5, M6, or universal transport medium

Specimen Volume: 1 mL

Specimen Type: Fluid

Sources: Pleural, pericardial,

cerebrospinal

Container/Tube: Sterile vial Specimen Volume: 0.5 mL

## **New Fluid Specimen Requirement**

**Specimen Type:** Respiratory **Sources:** Bronchial washing, bronchoalveolar lavage, tracheal

secretions, sputum

Container/Tube: Sterile container

Specimen Volume: 1 mL

Specimen Type: Fluid

Sources: Pleural, pericardial,

cerebrospinal

Container/Tube: Sterile container

Specimen Volume: 0.5 mL

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