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# **Des Moines Laboratory Update**

Date: November 17, 2022

#### **Inactivate Orderable: Effective Immediately**

MercyOne Des Moines Laboratory has discontinued Culture VRE (C VRE) testing in house. Testing for Vancomycin-Resistant Enterococcus will be referred to Mayo Clinical laboratory using an alternate test methodology.

Please order a Miscellaneous Non Blood Test (MISCNONBLD) and add VREPR to the comment box.

Test Name: VRERP Vancomycin-Resistant Enterococcus, PCR

**Performing Laboratory**: Mayo Clinical Laboratory

**CPT**: 87500

**Specimen Requirements**: Swab with liquid transport media (Stuart or Amies)

**Stability**: Refrigerated

Rejection Criteria: Dry swab, swab submitted in viral or universal transport media

**Test Methodology**: Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)

Reportable Range: Positive/Negative

Client List Price: \$113.00

Patient/Insurance Price: \$113.00

#### **Inactivate Orderable: Effective Immediately**

MercyOne Des Moines Laboratory has discontinued SARS Cov-2 IgG Antibody (COVID19IGG) testing in house. Please order the Spike Antibody SARS-CoV-2 (COVSQ) test performed at Mayo Clinical Laboratory as the alternate test for COVID antibodies.

### **New Orderable Panel:**

Test Name: VZV and HSV PCR Panel (VZVHSV)

Performing Laboratory: MercyOne Des Moines Laboratory.

Acceptable Specimens: Swab in Viral Transport Media (no CSF)

**Stability**: Refrigerated – 7 days. **CPT**: 87798 and 87529 X2

Client List Price: \$262.00

Patient/Insurance Price: \$264.00

## MercyOne Des Moines Laboratory Patient Service Center Holiday Hours

The MercyOne Des Moines Laboratory Patient Service Centers will be adjusting their hours during the upcoming holiday week. Please be mindful of these changes as you schedule patients for procedures around the Thanksgiving holiday weekend.

November						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
20	21	22	23	24 Closed	25 7:00a-3:00p	26

Thursday, November 24 - Closed Friday, November 25 - Reduced hours (7:00am - 3:00pm)

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# Patient Service Center Scheduling Now Available

To ensure a positive and efficient patient experience, please encourage patients to schedule a time for all types of specimen collections (i.e. blood draw, COVID collection, etc). Scheduling laboratory collections enables time to ensure orders are received and have been clarified (if necessary), and prevents long wait times for our patients arriving for services. Please make sure that all future orders are faxed to the correct Patient Service Center location. More information regarding scheduling collections at our Patient Service Centers can be found in the attached brochure.