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Blood Cultures Update

When ordering two blood cultures on one client, MercyOne laboratory is requesting that they are ordered a minute apart so Atlas registers them as two separate test. Please fill out the notes section if there is a preference of drawing from the same arm or separate arms when ordering two blood culture tests. The PSC's will follow these directions unless they are unable to draw from one of the arms. If the PSC's need to draw from the same arm, each draw will need to be 15 minutes apart.

Thank you for choosing MercyOne Des Moines Laboratory.