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Laboratory Bulleti

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Laboratory Testing Protocol

Effective Date: 3-12-2020

In an effort to appropriately manage testing resources, Beaumont Laboratory will be implementing the testing protocol indicated below. Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) requires the Patient Under Investigation (PUI) form for all testing at their lab.

Specimens that are not received with a PUI form will be sent to reference labs for testing. The advantage of sending to MDHHS is that the turnaround time will be much faster. We want to reserve this testing for the most critical cases.

TAT for MDHHS is 1-2 days.

TAT for Reference Lab is 3-5 days.

All specimens will be screened with Rapid Flu testing prior to being sent for COVID-19. See protocol below.

Specimens-all swabs should be in Viral Transport Media

- Influenza A/B RSV NAA- Nasopharyngeal (NP) swab
- COVID-19 PCT-collect one or all of the following:
 - 1) Nasopharyngeal (NP) swab
 - 2) Sputum (MDHHS only)

Ordering

- North/Soft Lab Compendium
 - o Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV), EPIC: LAB7899; Soft: XNCVG
 - o Influenza A/B RSV NAA- LAB7166
- South/Sunquest Lab Compendium
 - Novel Coronavirus-Order as Miscellaneous Sendout
 - o Influenza A/B-FLRNA

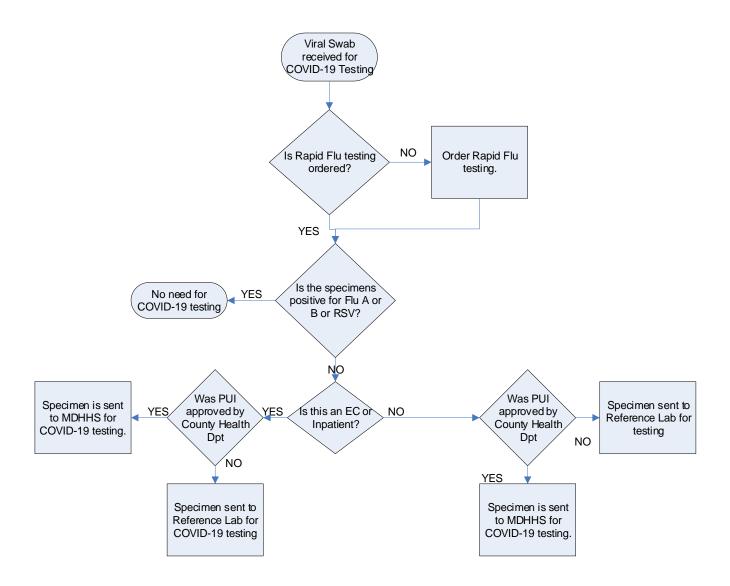
Specimen Transportation

- All inpatient specimens should be sent to your hospital laboratory.
- Reference lab specimens will be picked up by Beaumont Lab Couriers.
- Call 248-551-1155 Option 5 for transportation from a physician office and tell Customer Service you have a Corona specimen for pick up.

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