

# Memo

**To:** Allina Health Laboratory Affiliate clients

**From:** Allina Health Laboratory Outreach services

**Date:** June 5, 2020

**Re:** COVID-19 testing updates

Please continue to refer to the [MDH](#), Wisconsin [DHS](#) or [CDC](#) websites for the most current information available.

## Supplies:

- Allina Health Laboratory will offer [COVID-19/Coronavirus sample collection kits](#) for this testing. These kits can be found by searching "Covid" in the supply catalog.
- Due to the continued shortage of supplies, as you place supply orders, you may receive various collection kits. All are acceptable to use for any of the sites you are sending to. **Collection kits may have a sticker on them indicating OP or NP swabs and some kits may contain two swabs. Only one swab is needed for testing; the 2nd can be discarded.**



- Sites should order minimal volumes for your sample collection needs, as shortages still exist, and supplies must be dispersed to all collection sites, both Allina Health and Affiliate. The supplies you receive may vary but be assured you will receive what is needed for testing at the sites you are sending to.
- In our meetings, there were questions raised on the acceptable specimens. Since the information is ever changing, please refer to test catalog on our website. However, if the LabCorp, Mayo or MDH sites have a specific specimen type listed that we have not indicated, you are welcome to send it to us and we will send it on for testing.

## Test catalog:

- The AHL Test catalog has the correct collection information, however, because the testing is ever changing, the orderable test information included below is not in the test catalog. The order that is listed is the test code for Allina Health facilities (*please do not order using this Allina collection code*). We are looking at options to add the tests below as well at some point.

## Test/Result Information:

### • COVID 19 LabCorp (LAB14303)

- ◇ Orders you are directing to LabCorp should be packing listed to the central lab
- ◇ To expedite handling at the AHL central lab, packing list and package these Covid samples separately from your other sendout samples
- ◇ Results for this test will come via interface to Excellian
- ◇ Result routing will follow the current result routing at your facility
- ◇ Current cost of this test is \$56.30
- ◇ Turnaround time is 1-4 days based on when the specimen is received at LabCorp and their volumes.
  - \* Specimens indicated as priority one will be run first.
  - \* LabCorp courier times at the central lab are: Ready at 6pm for first flight and ready by 8pm for last flight
- ◇ MDH forms do not need to be sent with this test. All needed information for reporting the MDH or WISLH will be sent through the interface and reported to MDH and WISLH
- ◇ **Updates to this test:**
  - New order level questions added. See "Order Level Test Questions Details" below (minor additions made 5/5 at 1pm)
  - \* New priority designation for this test;
    - ◆ If yes answered to following question, test will be set as priority one
    - ◆ If no is answered to this question, test will be set as priority two

Is this patient currently hospitalized or awaiting an immediate hospital bed?

Yes No

Comments: [Text Area] Insert SmartText

- \* Priority one test will reflex an additional LabCorp Covid-19 Priority test (see next 3 screen shots)

Packing List Editor

Tests on Packing List: COVID-19 LABCORP, LABCORP

Test ID: 20-LCREF34

Destination: LABCORP LABORATORIES

Comments: [Text Area]

Tests to ship for 20-LCREF34

COVID-19 LABCORP On Test 20-LCREF34

LABCORP COVID-19 PRIORITY On Test 20-LCREF34

20-LCREF34

Type: LABCORP Refrigerated

Created: 5/4/2020 Status: Open

From: AHL CENTRAL LAB To: LABCORP LABORATORIES

Containers: 1

Container	Collected	Patient	Demographics	Test
1	20-LCREF34	1202	Test: Basic One (2200604622)	12/30/1967

Example of what the LabCorp priority test will look like with a priority one on a packing list, both tests will appear.

Specimen Inquiry

Refresh View Follow-up

Specimen Inquiry Communication Log History

Specimens (Count: 18)

Date	Specimen	Test	F	P	I	S	F/U	Submitter/Department
5/4/2020	1202	COVID-19 COLLECTION						ANW E3000
5/4/2020	1202	COVID-19 LABCORP						ANW E3000
5/4/2020	1202	LABCORP COVID-19 PRIORITY						ANW E3000
4/23/2020	1339	COVID-19 COLLECTION						ANW E3000
4/23/2020	1339	LABCORP COVID-19 PRIORITY						ANW E3000
4/23/2020	1339	COVID-19 LABCORP						ANW E3000
4/23/2020	1339	COVID-19 COLLECTION						ANW E3000
4/23/2020	1339	COVID-19 COLLECTION						ANW E3000
4/23/2020	1339	COVID-19 MDH						ANW E3000

Example of what the priority LabCorp test will look like in Excellian.

Note: Affiliates will not see the Covid-19 Collection test as this is Allina Health only test.

**Requisition Entry**

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Submitter: ST GERTRUDE'S HEALTH & REHABILITATION Requisition number: RQ4568 Patient: ONE, PRIORITY

Patient alias: Address: State: ZIP: SSN: 000-00-0000 Sex: F Country: DOB: 5/4/1967 TOB: City (or ZIP): Country: Bill To: Client Bill External MRN: Phone Number:

Orders [1] Billing Info [2] Demographics [3]

Diagnoses:

Code	Description
1	

Authorizing provider: BERLINER, ANTHONY FABER  
Ordering provider:  
Bill to: Client Bill

Procedure [5] Specimen

Code	Description	Specimen
1	COVID 19 LABCORP [LAB14303]	20LC-125R0011
2	INPATIENT PRIORITY [LAB14330]	20LC-125R0011
3		

Requisition Entry LabCorp priority test example.

Create Specimens Receive Case Builder CC Results Cancel

Specimen	Coll Date [7]	Coll Time	Collector	External ID	Draw Type	A/C
1 20LC-125R0011			BEAKER, NO		Client Collect	

Lab Req Comm Reg Comments

- COVID19 Mayo 2 (LAB14334)**
  - There are order level questions that must be answered
  - Orders you are directing to Mayo should be packing listed to the central lab
  - To expedite handling at the AHL central lab, packing list and package these Covid samples separately from your other sendout samples
  - Results for this test will come via interface to Excellian
  - Result routing will follow the current result routing at your facility
  - Current cost of this test is \$107
  - Turnaround time is 24-48 hours based on when the specimen is received at Mayo.
    - Mayo courier pickup times at the central lab are: Monday – Friday 10:30am and 7:30pm; Saturday 4:50pm and Sunday/holidays at 4:30pm
  - MDH forms do not need to be sent with this test. All needed information for reporting the MDH or WISLH will be sent through the interface and reported to MDH and WDH
  - Updates to this test:
    - New order level questions added (minor additions made 5/5 at 1pm).
      - ⇒ See “Order Level Test Questions Details” below
    - No specimen priority designation for this site
    - This test has changed from a lab only orderable test to a physician orderable test in Excellian.
- COVID 19 MDH/WSLH Aff (LAB14304)**
  - To be used in place of an MSO (LAB994) when sending samples to MDH or WISLH
  - The samples for MDH must be packaged as a pass through, but can still be sent with your regular Allina Health scheduled couriers
  - MDH paperwork must accompany these specimens
  - Your site will be able to result this test
  - Your site will need to scan the reports into this new orderable test, as it is not interfaced
  - Testing restricted to Restricted to pts in dialysis centers, congregated living settings
  - Turnaround time is 24-48 hours based on when specimen is received at MDH.
  - MDH courier pick up times at the central lab are: Monday-Friday 9:15am; Saturday 7:45-8:45am










- LabCorp and Mayo will both report these test results to the state departments
- All canceled tests will be called to your site
- Effective 6/5/20: Positive test results will no longer be called to your site as they are not considered a critical result, and are no longer being called to Allina Health Laboratory by our referral labs.
- Tracking Covid-19 results:
  - ◊ There is no specific report for this tracking. If tracking is needed, an LIS ticket will be needed to request a report for your site.

**Order Level Test Questions Detail (Minor updates to clarify the drop down menus included below):**

**Question have been updated to allow a cascading workflow based on the answer to the question below.**

Is this patient currently hospitalized or awaiting an immediate hospital bed?

Yes No

Comments:             

- ⊗ PUI
- ⊗ Anticipated transplant < 24 hours **and NO COVID symptoms**
- ⊗ Newborn of COVID + mother at 48 hours after birth
- ⊗ Pre-operative without previous COVID test **and NO COVID symptoms**
- ⊗ Pre-procedure, **NO COVID symptoms**, anticipating monitored anesthesia care or high risk for aerosols
- ⊗ Pregnant patient presenting in labor without previous COVID test **and NO COVID symptoms**
- ⊗ Mental Health
- ⊗ COVID + follow up
- ⊗ Pre-discharge to congregated living facility
- ⊗ Other, explanation required

Is this patient currently hospitalized or awaiting an immediate hospital bed?

Yes No

Select the appropriate patient population:

Comments:

Phase of Care:

Class:

Sched Inst:

CC Results:

Recipient

Item Select

Search: [ ]

Title
PUI
Anticipated transplant < 24 hours
Newborn of COVID + mother at 48 hours after birth
Pre-operative without previous COVID test
Pre-procedure anticipating monitored anesthesia care or high risk for aerosols
Pregnant patient presenting in labor without previous COVID test
Mental Health
COVID + follow up
Pre-discharge to congregated living facility
Other, explanation required

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Accept Cancel

**If the answer to the question is No, the patient population list will be displayed. Select the appropriate indication.**

**[N ] Select the appropriate patient population:**

- ⊗ Patient exhibiting symptoms consistent with COVID-19
- ⊗ Patient of Congregate Living facility
- ⊗ Pre-op 2-4 days and NO COVID symptoms
- ⊗ Prenatal at >38 weeks and NO COVID symptoms
- ⊗ Surveillance Testing

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Yes No

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Search: [ ]

Title
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Accept Cancel