



LABORATORY UPDATE

March 18th, 2019

HSV 1 & 2 Real Time PCR Testing Notification

Effective March 18th, Enzo Clinical Labs will begin Herpes simplex virus (HSV 1 & 2) Real Time PCR testing. This is a highly accurate and sensitive assay for the detection of HSV 1 & 2 and can be result next day, unlike traditional culture methods that average 3 days before results are available.

The Herpes simplex virus (HSV)-1 and 2 DNA Direct assay (HSV-1 & 2 PCR) is a real-time PCR test for the qualitative detection and differentiation of HSV-1 and HSV-2 DNA present in mucocutaneous and cutaneous lesion swabs from patients with signs and symptoms of HSV-1 or HSV-2 infection. This test is an aid in the differential diagnosis of HSV-1 and HSV-2 infections.

TEST INFORMATION	
TEST NAME:	HSV 1 & 2 Real Time PCR
TEST CODE:	31405125
COMPONENTS:	HSV 1 & HSV 2
SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS:	Flocked swab in VTM (3 mL tube)
SPECIMEN TRANSPORT TEMP:	Refrigerated
TESTING SCHEDULE:	Monday-Friday (excluding holidays)

We appreciate the continued opportunity to serve you and your patients and welcome any questions or concerns you may have. We may be reached at 631-755-5500 or speak with your ECL sales or service representative for more information.

Sincerely,

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Medical Director