

Group A Strep, NAA and Staph Aureus/MRSA PCR collection device change

Effective Date: June 3, 2024

On June 3, 2024 the Corewell Health Canton, Dearborn, Taylor, Trenton, and Wayne Laboratories will be transitioning to the E-Swab specimen collection device for testing of Group A Strep, NAA and Staph Aureus/MRSA PCR.

Group A Strep by Nucleic Acid Amplification (NAA)

Laboratory Requirement:

Sample: E-Swab specimen collected from the posterior pharynx/tonsillar region, or perianal cellulitis, and placed in Liquid Amies E-Swab (white top) transport system.

Availability: Sunday-Saturday, Nucleic Acid Amplification within 24-48 hours

Susceptibility results, if requested available within 48-72 hours

Codes: Group A Strep by NAA without Susceptibility: EPIC: LAB6907, Beaker: SSA

Group A Strep by NAA with Susceptibility: EPIC: LAB6908, Beaker: SSAS

Staphylococcus aureus/MRSA by PCR

Laboratory Requirement:

Sample: E-Swab nasal specimen collected using aseptic technique and placed in Liquid Amies E-Swab (white top) transport system.

Availability: Monday-Saturday

Code: Staphylococcus aureus/MRSA: Epic: LAB7222

E-Swab collection device



BBL culture swab



If you have questions, please contact Client Services (1-800-245-3725, option 1)

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