

SERIOUS MEDICINE. EXTRAORDINARY CARE."

Clinical Laboratory Directory of Laboratory Services

MICROBIOLOGY CRITICAL VALUES

Positive result: Notify patient caregiver unless otherwise noted below.

Blood culture (Must notify physician; nurse coordinator if transplant patient; shift IIIpatient's RN)

Bordetella pertusis (Caregiver and Infection Control; Immediate report to Douglas County Health Dept.)

Cholera (*Vibrio cholerae*) – (Caregiver and Infection Control and Epidemiology; (Caregiver and Infection Control; Immediate report to Douglas County Health Dept.)

Corynebacterium diphtheriae (Caregiver and Infection Control and Epidemiology; Immediate report to Douglas County Health Dept.)

Cryptococcal antigen, first positive

Fungal stains and/or cultures (sterile sites)

Gram stain or culture from cornea, sclera or vitreous fluid

Gram stain or culture from sterile body fluid or tissue collected in surgery

Gram stain or culture from CSF (Must notify physician)

Group B streptococci culture; from nursery or inpatient only

Haemophilus influenza from CSF or blood (must call physician, page Healthcare Epidemiology; Immediate report to Douglas County Health Dept.)

Listeria monocytogenes – from CSF or blood (Must notify physician)

Meningitis - bacterial, fungal, viral

Meningitis/Encephalitis panel

Neisseria meningitidis from CSF or blood (Must notify physician)

Potential biothreat agents*: *Bacillus anthracis*, *Brucella species*, *Clostridium botulinum*, *Francisella tularensis*, Yersina pestis

*(Call Special Pathogens lab (402-888-5588), Healthcare Epidemiology, Caregiver; Immediate report to Douglas County Health Dept.)