

## **Laboratory Technical Bulletin**

Date: February 5, 2016	Effective Date:	<b>Immediately</b>
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Title: Zika Virus Testing

## **Explanation:**

All Zika Virus Screen orders must have prior approval of the Tompkins County Health Department.

Do not obtain specimens or send your patients to have specimens collected until you have been given Health Department approval. Call TCHD at 274-6604 and consult with Nanette or Amy.

Please indicate on your requisition or in your Electronic Medical Record Order that Health Department approval has been obtained.

If patients are not drawn at Cayuga Medical Center the patient specimens must be delivered to the lab within 1 hour. The preferred specimen collection site is the Main Campus of CMC.

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Collection Site	CMC Main Campus Patient Service Center		
Perform Site	NYSDOH Wadsworth Center Laboratories		
Method	Screening and confirmatory tests for antibodies, molecular tests for presence of virus		
Test Code	ZIKANYS		
Reference Range	Negative for antibodies and virus		
Specimen	2 SSTs and 1 full yellow top urine container – Must be in the CMC Lab within 1 hour of collection		
Volume Required	Tubes must be full		
Turnaround time	3 to 21 days for complete testing		

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