



Date: September 3, 2020

Effective Date: September 3, 2020

Title: COVID Viral Transport Media will have different appearance

Test: COVID 19, PCR

Explanation of change: CMC Laboratory is switching to another vendor for Viral Transport media in the tubes used to preserve swabs for COVID-19 testing. It is not handled differently, and the expiration date of the swabs in the media remains the same. The noticeable difference is that the new media is **colorless**, while the old media was **pink**. Please note that the tube size may change depend on availability.

	Old	New
<i>Perform Site</i>	CMC Laboratory	No change
<i>Test Code</i>	COVID19	No change
Transport Media Appearance	Pink	Colorless
Expiration Date of Swabs in Media	72 hours	72 hours, No Change
Old Tubes		

 Date 9/4/20
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 Date 9-3-20
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