

Date: December 13, 2021

Effective Date: December 14, 2021



Title: Rapid COVID/Flu/RSV Testing Available

Test: COVID/Flu/RSV RT-PCR (Cepheid 4-plex)

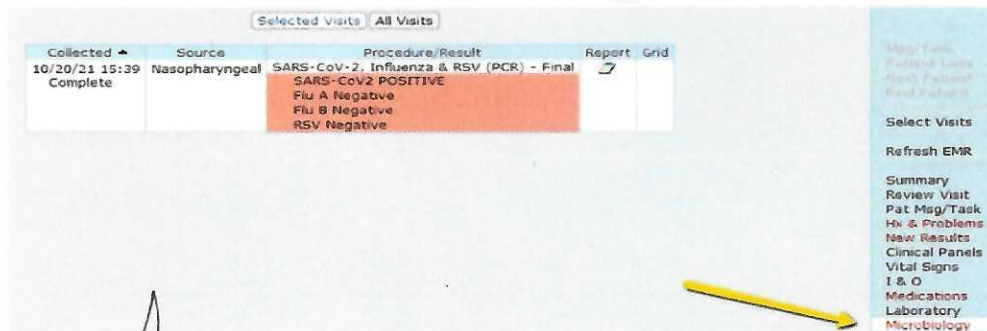
Discussion: Cayuga Medical Center Lab is now offering a rapid COVID/Flu/RSV RT-PCR test panel. This test should be used for all inpatient testing, replacing the rapid and confirmatory process previously in use. Outpatients should continue to use the old process. **No additional COVID PCR testing is required when utilizing this panel.**

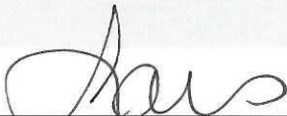
Please contact the laboratory for collection kits.

Rapid molecular COVID, Flu and/or RSV can still be ordered as independent tests on the ID NOW platform.

<i>Perform Site</i>	CMC Main Lab (Stat only)
<i>Method</i>	Cepheid RT-PCR
<i>Test Code</i>	COVFLURSVPCR
<i>Test Name</i>	COVID/Flu/RSV RT-PCR
<i>Specimen</i>	<p>NASOPHARYNGEAL swab in Xpert Viral Transport Medium</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;">   </div> <p>Alternate: Anterior nasal, nasal wash/aspirate in 3mL viral transport medium or 3 mL saline</p>
<i>Specimen Stability</i>	48 hours room temperature or 7 days refrigerated Do NOT freeze
<i>Turnaround time</i>	1 hour

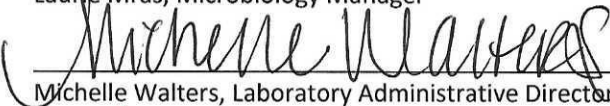
Results can be found in the EMR under Microbiology:





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