Guide to Flu Lab Report

For use in reporting laboratory results to EpiGateway as part of the County Influenza Activity Code.

Once you have logged into Merlin:

Step 1. Click on the tab titled “Task.”

New Updates to Merlin! ------- September 30th, 2009

Version 8.2.0.1

As of 7:30am Wednesday, Sept 30, 2009 we have released a new version of Merlin. This new version addresses the following issues:

- **Cases Reappearing on the Task List** – corrected the problem with cases getting placed back on the Task List with “Needs Info”; updated old cases with the new case definitions – system was expecting the new case definition to be used on the old cases. (Valerie Harvard, Orange)
- **FLU Lab Report** – enhanced the FLU Lab Report (formerly known as the Flu Task List); added a few new graphs/tables.
  - **Subtype** – this stacked bar graph will represent the number of positive results by subtype over a specific period of time.
  - **Percent Positive** – this composite line-bar graph will display the number of total specimens tested by week and the corresponding percent positive of those specimens.
  - **Table** – this is a table to display the number of positive results for each major subtype influenza A and b by week; this table allows you to scroll down and see detail on the specific results.

Coming Soon:

- Updated Analysis Reports, Common Report Criteria and saving Templates.
- Revamped Epi Case Review

If you have any other issue not listed in the above section, please let us know at the Merlin Help Desk.

Thanks for all of the feedback so far and keep working away!!
Step 2: Click on the left hand menu button that says “Flu Lab Report.”
Step 3: Select “Lab Event Date” as the Date Type.
Step 4: Select the previous Sunday as the Date From.
Step 5: Select the previous Saturday as the Date To.

![Flu Lab Report](image)

**Date From:** 09/27/2009

**Date To:** 10/03/2009

**Sending Application:** ALL

**County:**
- ALACHUA
- BAKER
- BAY
- BRADFORD
- BREVARD
- VOLUSIA
- CALHOUN

![Calendar grid showing October 2009 dates](image)

Step 5: Select the previous Saturday as the Date To.
Step 6: Select LabWare as the Sending Application.
Your county name should automatically default, but if you have multi-county access you will have to select your county name.
Step 7: Click “Search.”
The total number of positive specimens is highlighted below. The total number of specimens submitted (also highlighted below) is the number to the right of the total positive.