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TOPIC	DESCRIPTION
Test Name	Gonorrhea Culture
Other Name (s)	N/A
Analyte(s)	<i>Neisseria gonorrhoeae</i>
Test Code	0700
Lab location	Jacksonville, Miami, and Tampa locations
Department	Microbiology
Pre-Approval Required	None
Required Forms	DH1847, Indicate start of incubation time.
Specimen Sources	Male - Urethral exudate, rectal or pharyngeal specimen. Female - Cervical, rectal or pharyngeal specimen.
Supplemental Information- Special Specimen Preparation	Specimen, collected from the proper site, is inoculated onto culture media (Martin-Lewis).
Minimum Volume	N/A
Storage Conditions	Inoculated media should be pre- incubated for 24 - 48 hours in 10% CO2 environment (Candle jar or Ziplock bag with CO2 tablet) before shipping to lab.
Collection Media	Martin Lewis
Specimen Labeling	Patient name, DOB, Collection date and NPI
Packaging and Shipping Instructions and Handling	Deliver to Laboratory as soon as possible, ship overnight. Ship specimens at 15-30°C. Include paperwork with specimens, but separate them physically
Test Methodology	Culture, MALDI-TOF
Turnaround Time	5 days
Result Indicator	Positive: Gram negative, oxidase positive diplococci chrematistic of <i>Neisseria gonorrhoeae</i> cultured. Negative: No isolation
Unsatisfactory Specimen	Not delivered within 24 hours of collection No patient identification on specimen Name on specimen tube and requisition do not match Specimen damaged transit, plate dried out, cracked, or expired. Specimen received > 4 days after collection No CO ₂ pill Transport bag not sealed
Interferences and Limitations	Non-viable or mixed/ contaminated isolates may not yield reportable results
Additional Information & Notes	N/A
Reference Range	Negative-Positive
Reference Lab	CDC
Reflex testing	WGS