

## **Test Menu**

TOPIC	DESCRIPTION
Test Name	Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) Typing, PCR
Other Name (s)	Real-time PCR, RT-PCR, real-time RT-PCR, nucleic acid amplification testing (NAAT).
Analyte(s)	Respiratory Syncytial virus (RSV) types A and B
Test Code	9362
Lab location	Jacksonville and Tampa locations
Department	Virology
Prior Authorization	Requires prior approval from Regional Epidemiology and notification to the testing lab. Contact local County Health Department to start the process for approval.
Required Forms	Test Requisition Form, DH1847
Specimen Sources	Upper or lower respiratory swabs; nasal aspirate/wash; bronchoalveolar lavage; tracheal aspirate; sputum; autopsy samples.
Supplemental Information- Special	N/A
Specimen Preparation	
Minimum Volume	1mL
Storage Conditions	Refrigerate specimens at 2-8°C or frozen at ≤-20°C.
Collection Media	Dacron swab in Respiratory swabs in viral transport media (VTM) or universal transport media (UTM)  Sterile container
Specimen Labeling	-Specimen must be labeled with at least two unique patient identifiers, Ex: Name and DOB.  -The collection date and time if submitting multiple specimens.  -Information on the specimen must match the requisition.
Packaging and Shipping Instructions and Handling	Specimens must be shipped between (2-8°C) or frozen (≤-20°C) on dry ice.  Separate multiple specimens into different bags (preferred).
Test Methodology	Real-time reverse-transcription polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR) assay.
Turnaround Time	Variable, for surveillance purposes
Result Indicator	Name of virus detected, or no virus detected
Unsatisfactory Specimen	Swabs with calcium alginate or cotton tips or with wooden shafts. Unlabeled or mislabeled specimens, insufficient quantity for testing, incorrect collection tube/transport media, grossly contaminated specimen, disparity between ID on sample and paperwork, improper collection, storage or transport of specimen, no test requested, test requested is not performed. If required, the absence of patient history. If required, the lack of patient history that is compatible with test requested. Test order cancelled by provider, broken, or leaked in transit, etc.
Interferences and Limitations	Swabs with calcium alginate or cotton tips or with wooden shafts, can result in inactivation of some viruses and inhibit some molecular assays.
Additional Information & Notes	N/A
Reference Range	Name of virus type detected, or no virus detected
Reference Lab	CDC if needed
Reflex testing	N/A