SPECIMEN SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

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Hepatitis B Surface Antigen Test Request Form

Test Requested	Specimen Requirement	Draw Tube	Shipping Conditions
☐ HBsAg Confirmatory	· ·	SST Tubes – Invert 5X and allow to clot for 30 min (no more than 2 hrs.) post-collection. Centrifuge	Ambient 15-30°C – SST tube must be received at HDRL within 7 days of collection. Refrigerated 2-8°C – SST tube must be shipped in cold box with ice packs and received at HDRL within 7 days of collection. Frozen -20°C – Ship frozen aliquoted plasma with dry ice if specimen will be received at HDRL after 7 days of collection.
		10 minutes at 1000-1300 RCF in a swing bucket centrifuge. NOTE: Tubes MUST be allowed to clot for 30 minutes.	
		PPT Tubes – Invert 8-10X. Stable at room temperature up to 6 hrs. Centrifuge in swing-out rotor centrifuge at 1100 RCF for a minimum of 10 min. Freeze	
	plasma aliquot at -20°C.	When shipping frozen, use 2+ lbs. dry ice per day of transport. Shipment on 6 lbs. additional dry ice is recommended in case of shipment delay.	

Please fill the request form completely to ensure timely specimen processing.

PATIENT IDENTIFICATION		CONTACT INFORMATION		
Patient identifiers <u>MUST INCLUDE</u> :		POC		
Full Name DoDID OR FMP/SSN		Physician Name Clinic / Center Center Address		
Specimen Draw Date / Time: Ship Date:	Telephone Number Fax Number (Commercial # only; please include area/country code) Alternate POC Name Alternate POC Phone			
PROCESSING LABORATORY (For HDRL use only)				
BARCODE		TE RECEIVED	QUANTITY & TYPE RECEIVED / INITIALS	

Fax/Email a FedEx tracking and/or invoice number to ensure all shipments sent to the HIV Diagnostics and Reference Laboratory are received, IAW CAP GEN.40530
Shipping Address: 508 Research Dr., Silver Spring, MD, 20910

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