

## LAB ALERT

**Date: December 30, 2019**

### **Test Update: Replacement Test for Enterovirus Specific CSF Molecular Assay**

Dear Regional Pathology Services Clients,

Beginning January 1, 2020, we will no longer be offering the Enterovirus specific CSF molecular assay (Test Code: EVC) due to discontinuation by the manufacturer. For detection of Enteroviral RNA from CSF, please order the meningitis/encephalitis molecular panel ([Test Code: MEEP](#)).

**Interfaced clients should delete order codes EVC in their systems and replace with test code MEEP.**

**Specimen requirements:** CSF by lumbar puncture. Minimum volume: 0.4 mL

**Unacceptable Specimens:** CSF collected from indwelling CNS medical devices (e.g. shunts), Specimens with less than minimal required volume, Leaking container, multiple specimens. **Centrifuged or Frozen specimens.**

Stable at room temperature for < 24 hours; refrigerated for up to 7 days.

For questions about interface build please contact Interface Support: [rpsinterfacesupport@unmc.edu](mailto:rpsinterfacesupport@unmc.edu)

**If you have any questions about these changes please contact client services at 402-559-6420 and ask to speak with one of the client coordinators.**