

MLS Laboratory Update: 4th of July Holiday MDH- PHL Hours of Operation

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Purpose of this Message:

To notify MLS labs of the hours of operation for the Minnesota Department of Health-Public Health Laboratory (MDH-PHL) for the 4th of July Holiday.

Action Item:

Please review the following information.

Receipt of Specimens and Lab Testing at MDH-PHL:

MDH-PHL will be closed for routine laboratory testing on Tuesday, July 4.

1. The receiving dock will be closed Tuesday (7/4). No Infectious Disease or Newborn Screening specimens will be accepted.
2. Infectious Disease and Newborn Screening staff **will not** be performing testing on Tuesday (7/4).

FedEx and UPS may have modified schedules for Saturday (7/1) and Monday (7/3), and neither will be doing regular pick-ups on Tuesday (7/4). If your facility uses these services, please plan accordingly.

If your laboratory needs emergency Infectious Disease testing, call the on-call phone 24/7 at 612-282-3723. For questions about Newborn Screening, contact the on-call genetic counselor at 651-201-3548.

We hope that you have a happy and healthy 4th of July,

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