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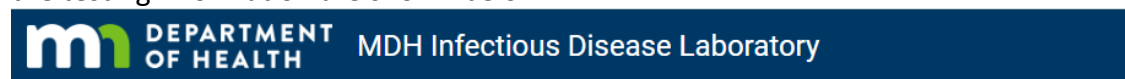
To announce the release of the new MDH-PHL Infectious Disease Laboratory (IDL) Test Catalog, which has replaced the IDL Guide to Service (GTS).

Action Items:

Bookmark the new Test Catalog webpage, [Infectious Disease Laboratory \(IDL\) Test Catalog \(https://labinventory.web.health.state.mn.us/#/\)](https://labinventory.web.health.state.mn.us/#/). Share this information with appropriate staff within your organization. Refer to the Test Catalog for IDL sample submission requirements.

Background:

The MDH-PHL Infectious Disease Laboratory has updated the information and website for our current test offerings to better guide our external partners in ordering IDL testing. The new [Infectious Disease Laboratory \(IDL\) Test Catalog \(https://labinventory.web.health.state.mn.us/#/\)](https://labinventory.web.health.state.mn.us/#/) provides clear, up-to-date sample submission information, including specimen acceptability criteria, shipping temperatures and time restraints, expected IDL turnaround time, testing methodology, and background information about each test that IDL offers. Example images of the front page of the new Test Catalog and the testing information are shown below.



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Infectious Disease Laboratory (IDL) Test Catalog

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Acid-fast Bacillus Identification - Isolate

	Test Name Acid-fast Bacillus Identification - Isolate
	Test Code AFBID
	Aliases Acid-fast bacilli, AFB, MAC, MTB, MTBC, <i>Mycobacterium</i> , Tuberculosis, TB
	Methodology 16S Sanger sequencing, INNO-LiPA® line probe assay
	Overview/Supplementary This test identifies actively growing acid-fast bacilli (AFB), in broth or solid media. For primary specimens, see <i>Mycobacterium</i> Culture and Acid-fast Smear.
	Turn Around Time 3-5 days
	Special Considerations None
	Specimen Requirements Isolates: Actively growing culture on media that support the growth of the bacterial isolate submitted (e.g., MGIT broth, MP broth, or L7H11 agar).
	Transport/Stability Store and ship at ambient temperature.
	Interface/Codes

Questions:

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