

MEMO

TO: CCLS Clients
FROM: CCLS – Microbiology
DATE: 2/7/2024
SUBJECT: Vaginitis Profile, PCR [LAB0299370]

Effective **February 13th, 2024**, CCLS Laboratory Services at the St. Cloud Hospital location will be changing methodologies for Vaginitis Profile, PCR [LAB0299370] from a DNA probe to RT-PCR.

Specimen type: Xpert Swab Transport Reagent Tube (pink cap) with collection swab
 Specimen transport and storage: 42 days once placed in Reagent Tube at 2-28°C

Major changes:

- ✓ Specimen type (see above)
- ✓ Patient or clinician collected
- ✓ Bacterial vaginosis reported in place of *Gardnerella vaginalis*
- ✓ Candida species broken down between *C. glabrata-krusei* and other Candida species

Report example:

Component	1 d ago
Ref Range & Units	(1/31/24)
Candida species, PCR	Detected !
Not Detected	
Trichomonas vaginalis	Detected !
Not Detected	
Bacterial Vaginosis Markers, NAT	Positive !
Negative	
Candida glabrata-krusei, NAT	Detected !
Not Detected	
Resulting Agency	CCLS SCH

Please feel free to contact CCLS Laboratory Services Microbiology Department with any questions at 320-251-2700 Ext. 57311.

Attachments: Collection guides
 Data sheet
 Medical Scientific Affairs bulletin