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**TO: CCLS Clients**

**FROM: CCLS – Specimen Referral Center**

**DATE: 5/26/2022**

**SUBJECT: Antimicrobial Susceptibility, Anaerobic Bacteria, Minimal Inhibitory Concentration, Varies**

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Effective June 13, 2022, Mayo will be making changes to the following test:

***ANTIMICROBIAL SUSCEPTIBILITY, ANAEROBIC BACTERIA, MINIMAL INHIBITORY CONCENTRATION, VARIES, MAYO CODE MMLSA (LAB0292722)***

**Explanation:**

We would like to stress the importance of submitting a definitive organism identification when isolates are submitted for susceptibility testing. Beginning on the effective date, if an organism identification is not provided within 72 hours of specimen receipt, “ANIDE / Organism Referred for Identification, Anaerobic Bacteria” will be added and billed as appropriate. This is minimally \$180.00 plus any of the 15 reflex tests.

| <b>Current Testing Algorithm</b>  |
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| When this test is ordered the reflex tests may be performed and charged separately. All anaerobic bacteria submitted will automatically have susceptibility testing performed and billed as appropriate. Antimicrobial agents appropriate to the organism and specimen source will be tested according to Mayo's practice and the laboratory's standard operating procedures.<br><br>See <a href="#">Anaerobic Bacteria Antimicrobials</a> in Special Instructions for a listing of the antimicrobials routinely tested in our laboratory as well as antimicrobials that may be tested upon request. Call 800-533-1710 and ask to speak to the Bacteriology Anaerobe Laboratory if the organism or antimicrobial of interest is not listed in this table. |

| <b>New Testing Algorithm</b>  |
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| When this test is ordered the reflex tests may be performed and charged separately. All anaerobic bacteria recovered will automatically have susceptibility testing performed and billed as appropriate. Antimicrobial agents appropriate to the organism and specimen source will be tested according to Mayo's practice and the laboratory's standard operating procedures.<br><br>See <a href="#">Anaerobic Bacteria Antimicrobials</a> in Special Instructions for a listing of the antimicrobials routinely tested in our laboratory as well as antimicrobials that may be tested upon request. Call 800-533-1710 and ask to speak to the Bacteriology Anaerobe Laboratory if the organism or antimicrobial of interest is not listed in this table.<br><br><b>If organism identification is not provided within 72 hours of specimen receipt, referred anaerobic bacteria identification will be performed at an additional charge.</b> |

Please feel free to contact the Specimen Referrals Center with any questions at 320-251-2700 Ext. 57320