

# Sample Requirement Update



Effective September 18, 2018

Due to reference laboratory changes, a separate sample must be submitted for each Herpes Simplex Virus PCR, NonBlood and Varicella-Zoster Virus, PCR, NonBlood testing.

## Acceptable Samples Types:

- Fluid
  - Pleural, peritoneal, ascites, pericardial, amniotic, or ocular
- Respiratory
  - Bronchial washing, bronchoalveolar lavage, nasopharyngeal aspirate or washing, sputum, or tracheal aspirate
- Swab
  - Genital, cervical rectal, dermal, ocular, nasal, throat, or oral
- Tissue
  - Brain, colon, kidney, liver, lung, etc.

If you have questions, please contact St. Luke's Laboratory Client Services Department (218) 249-5200.

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