

Result Option Change



Rapid Strep Screen Resulting Change

Effective January 9, 2017, the result options for the Rapid Strep Screen will change in order to be compliant with CLIA regulations for waived laboratory testing which state the package insert must be followed exactly as written.

Current Result Options:

Positive
Negative

New Result Options:

Positive
Presumptive Negative

If a patient is suspected to have Group A strep infection, and the rapid screen is Presumptive Negative, a culture should be ordered for confirmation.

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