



**UNITYPOINT HEALTH - MERITER LABORATORIES**

**CDC Recommendations for Influenza A Subtyping**

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In conjunction with updated CDC recommendations associated with Influenza A testing, the Wisconsin State Laboratory of Hygiene (WSLH) has requested all positive Influenza A samples from hospital inpatients to be sent to their facility. Meriter Laboratories has implemented a process to meet both CDC and WSLH's requests and will send all positive Influenza A samples to the WSLH for subtyping. This will be an expansion of existing surveillance testing already in place, so no changes or additional steps are required at this time.

Results are for surveillance purposes only and will not be placed within the patient's chart. In the case of a positive Avian Influenza being detected, Meriter Laboratories will alert Infection Prevention.

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If you have any questions, please call the UnityPoint Health - Meriter Laboratories Client Services Department at 608-417-6529 or 1-800-236-0465.