

IMPORTANT LAB UPDATE

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To: All clinical staff and medical providers, Emergency Network

From: Microbiology Working Group

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Re: Update to the Meditech Test Dictionary: Vaginitis and STI Testing

Effective March 12, 2025, the Test Dictionary in Meditech will be updated to clarify ordering on vaginitis and STI testing.

Important Information

- The Test Dictionary in Meditech will be updated to improve clarity for vaginitis and STI test orders
- Highlights of Changes:

Updated test names to better reflect the testing performed:

Previous	New Test	Tests included	Eligible Patients
Test Name	Name		
Molecular	Vagina 14-59y	BV, Yeast,	14-59 year old females
Vaginitis Panel	BV/Yeast/Trich	Trichomonas vaginalis	
(MVP)		_	
Vagina C&S –	Vagina Yeast C&S	Yeast	Females with lab confirmed yeast
Azole Failure	– Azole Failure		infection fluconazole treatment failure

- Prompts describing the appropriate collection container have been added
- o Prompts linking users to the vaginitis/STI 'Collection and Ordering Job aid' have been added
- o Additional test name aliases have been added to improve searchability
- New combination orders are available for tests commonly ordered together:
 - Vagina I 4-59y BV/Yst/Trich/CTGC:

Includes: BV, Yeast, *Trichomonas vaginalis* AND Chlamydia/Gonorrhea on one **vaginal** swab. Eligible patients: females 14-59 years old

o CT/GC + Trichomonas Female:

Includes: Chlamydia/ Gonorrhea AND *Trichomonas vaginalis* testing on one specimen Specimen types: Vagina-preferred, Cervix, or Urine

o CT/GC + Trichomonas Male:

Includes: Chlamydia/ Gonorrhea AND *Trichomonas vaginalis* testing on one specimen Specimen types: Urethra, or Urine

Action Required

- Review the revised <u>IH Collection and Ordering Job Aid for Vaginitis and Sexually Transmitted Infection Testing</u>
 poster located at <u>www.interiorhealth.ca</u> > Information For > Medical Staff > Clinical Tools & Resources
 >Laboratory Services Guide > Microbiology > Ordering guidance for health-care providers to learn new test
 names and collection requirements
 - Note: Replace any printed copies with the new revised version
- Review prompt(s) when placing orders on Vaginitis and STI testing to ensure specimen is collected with the appropriate container

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