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Test Discontinuation – COVID-19 PCR

Effective September 28th, 2026, the Microbiology Laboratory will be discontinuing the test order for COVID-19 PCR [LAB1231180].

Explanation

This is for the stand-alone COVID-19 PCR order only, which is being discontinued due to low test utilization and high reagent costs.

The Microbiology Laboratory will still have the following routine options to test for COVID-19:

Discontinued Testing	Available Testing for COVID-19
COVID-19 PCR [LAB1231180]	Influenza RSV COVID-19 PCR [LAB1231636]
	Respiratory Pathogen PCR Testing [LAB1900]

For questions, please contact Pathology Client Services at (804) 828-7284 or Microbiology at (804) 628-4000, or the Main Campus Microbiology Director on-call pager at 9075.