

Microbiology PCR Testing – Update in Naming Convention

Orderable: See table below

Effective October 22nd, 2024, the Microbiology Laboratory will be changing the naming convention for its molecular tests. **Tests previously referred to as “Direct Tests” will be referred to as “PCR”.**

Old Test Orderable Name	New Test Orderable Name
GASTROINTESTINAL PATHOGEN DIRECT TESTING	GASTROINTESTINAL PATHOGEN PCR TESTING
HPV High Risk	HPV High Risk PCR Testing
HSV 1 AND HSV 2 DIRECT TESTING	HSV 1 AND HSV 2 PCR TESTING
HSV AND VZV DIRECT TESTING	HSV AND VZV PCR TESTING
INFLUENZA RSV COVID-19 DIRECT TESTING	INFLUENZA RSV COVID-19 PCR TESTING
RESPIRATORY PATHOGEN DIRECT TESTING	RESPIRATORY PATHOGEN PCR TESTING
STAPHYLOCOCCUS AUREUS/MRSA DIRECT TESTING	STAPHYLOCOCCUS AUREUS/MRSA PCR TESTING
TRICHOMONAS VAGINALIS DIRECT TESTING	TRICHOMONAS VAGINALIS PCR TESTING
VZV DIRECT TESTING	VZV PCR TESTING

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