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Valued Medical Microbiology Partners and Clients:

The South Dakota Public Health Laboratory (SDPHL) is issuing a revised Medical Microbiology Section Fee Schedule effective July 9, 2018. The new fee schedule and procedure manual can be found in the medical resources section of the South Dakota Public Health Laboratory website [http://doh.sd.gov/lab/resources/](http://doh.sd.gov/lab/resources/).

Thank you for entrusting us with your public health testing needs. Your continued partnership allows the SDPHL to build robust testing programs for vaccine-preventable, low-incidence, and highly infectious diseases, as well as antimicrobial resistance. The SDPHL will also continue to provide a statewide courier system for the transport of samples and specimens to the lab.

The SDPHL is also investing in cutting-edge diagnostics capable of adapting to the changing public health needs of our state. Whether it is foodborne disease testing, vector-borne disease testing, or outbreak response, the SDPHL continues to support public health in South Dakota through reinvestment of test fees into our laboratory programs.

Please distribute this letter to others in your facility that may need this information. If you have any questions about the new fee schedule or procedure manual, please contact the SDPHL at (605) 773-3368.

Sincerely,

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