

LAB ALERT: Changes to Chlamydia and Gonorrhea Testing

TO: Office of Disease Prevention Services; Office of Child and Family Services

FROM: South Dakota Public Health Laboratory

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Effective July 6, 2018, the option to order individual tests for Chlamydia (GP1) and Gonorrhea (GP2) will be discontinued. Instead, combination testing for Chlamydia/Gonorrhea (GPB) should be ordered. This change reflects test ordering best practice for these sexually transmitted pathogens. There will be no changes to specimen requirements, packaging/shipping, testing, or reporting.

Discontinued Test

Chlamydia (GP1)
Gonorrhea (GP2)

Order Instead

Chlamydia/Gonorrhea (GPB)
Chlamydia/Gonorrhea (GPB)

Please distribute this Lab Alert to others in your program that may need this information.

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