



MLS Laboratory Update: Juneteenth Holiday MDH-PHL Hours of Operation

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Purpose of this Message:

To notify MLS labs of the hours of operation for the Minnesota Department of Health-Public Health Laboratory (MDH-PHL) for the Juneteenth holiday.

Action Item:

Please review the following information.

Receipt of Specimens and Lab Testing at MDH-PHL:

MDH-PHL will be closed for most routine laboratory testing on Friday, June 19.

1. Infectious Disease and Newborn Screening specimens will be accepted on Friday (6/19) from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm. Please note rabies specimens **will not** be received, and rabies testing will not be performed on that day
2. Infectious Disease staff **will not** be performing laboratory testing on Friday (6/19).
3. Newborn Screening **will be** performing testing on Friday (6/19).

If your laboratory needs emergency Infectious Disease testing, call the on-call phone 24/7 at 612-282-3723. For questions about Newborn Screening, contact the on-call genetic counselor at 651-201-3548.

Thank you,

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