



**SPECIMEN COLLECTION, TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE**

**MOLECULAR AND SURVEILLANCE TESTING**

Molecular Biology/Immunology/Surveillance Section

Test	Test to be Performed	CPT	Accepted Specimens	Transport Temperature	Normal Values	Turn around time
SARS-Cov-2 or Covid-19 PCR	SARS CoV-2 PCR	87635	Swabs in virus transport medium or saline: Nasopharyngeal, nasal, or throat	Cold pack	Not detected	3 days
Respiratory Multiplex PCR	Respiratory Multiplex PCR	0241U			Not Detected: Flu A, Flu B, RSV, SARS-CoV-2	3 days
Norovirus PCR	Norovirus PCR	87798	Fresh stool in a sterile container	Clean container 4C; cold pack	No Norovirus detected by PCR	3 days

**EMERGING DISEASE/MOLECULAR BIOLOGY**

Emerging Disease/Microbiology Section

Contact the laboratory for more detailed specimen collection instructions. Patient history required.

In outbreak situations, contact DPH Communicable Disease Section at 1-800-722-4777. Testing may be prioritized.

Test	Test to be Performed	CPT	Accepted Specimens	Transport Temperature	Normal Values	Turn around time
Influenza Virus PCR, Screening or Clinical Lab Confirmation	Influenza PCR	87501	Nasal swabs in universal virus transport (UVT) media; nasal aspirates in sterile container.	Cold pack or frozen	No Influenza A or B Nucleic Acid detected.	7 days
Bordetella pertussis	Bordetella PCR	87798	Nasopharyngeal swabs, nasal wash.	Cold pack or frozen	Bordetella pertussis, parapertussis, or holmesii DNA not detected.	3 days
Measles PCR	Measles PCR	87798	Nasopharyngeal swabs (UVT), NP aspirate, throat swab (UVT), or urine	Cold pack or frozen	Measles virus not detected.	3 days
Mumps PCR	Mumps PCR	87798	Nasopharyngeal swabs (UVT), NP aspirate, throat swab (UVT)	Cold pack or frozen	Mumps virus not detected	3 days

For other tests not performed at the San Bernardino County Public Health Laboratory, contact the laboratory for instructions to submit testing for shipment to CDPH Microbial Disease Lab (MDL), CDPH Virus and Rickettsial Disease Lab (VRDL), or CDC.