

Southern Nevada Public Health Laboratory
TEST MENU

Reportable Disease Or Unusual Isolate for confirmation, serotyping or identification (See Note for a complete list of Reportable Disease isolates to submit to SNPHL)

Method	Culture confirmation or serotyping (all organisms confirmed before being typed)
CPT Code	87077 Culture confirmation, aerobic 87147 Serotyping (<i>H. influenza</i> , <i>N. meningitidis</i> , <i>Salmonella</i> , <i>Shigella</i> , <i>Shiga toxin producing E. coli</i>)
Specimen	Pure culture of the organism.
Collect in	Appropriate media slant or plate that supports organism growth, e.g. blood, chocolate or tryptic soy agar slant. Utilize specialized media for fastidious organisms, e.g. Regan-Lowe for <i>Bordetella</i> ; Chocolate agar for <i>Neisseria</i> ; <i>Campylobacter</i> blood agar for <i>Campylobacter</i>
Labeling	Label stool transport container with patient's full name, date of birth, collection time and date
Special Notes	Organism must be received in the laboratory within 48 hours of subculture.
Transport	Room temperature in an appropriate growth environment, e.g. CO2 pack for <i>Neisseria</i> or Microaerophilic pouch for <i>Campylobacter</i>
Sample Rejection	- Desiccated or improper media - Mislabeled/unlabeled specimen - Improper growth environment for the organism
Requisition	SNPHL Request Forms SNPHL Reportable Disease Isolate requisition form
Turn Around Time	Usually within four days of receipt in the laboratory; some organisms may require variable time to complete
Results	Culture confirmation and/or serotype
Reported	System generated fax; Electronic transmission
Note	Reportable Disease Isolates Submission List
Contact	Southern Nevada Public Health Laboratory – Microbiology section