HUMAN HERPES VIRUS TYPE 6

Orderable – HHV6
Turnaround Time: Up to 7 days

Specimen Type and Collection Information:

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<td>Whole Blood</td>
<td>3.0 mL</td>
<td>EDTA (Lavender top tube)</td>
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<td>CSF (for encephalitis cases only)</td>
<td>300 uL</td>
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Special Processing:

HHV6 testing must be approved by the Microbiologist on-call and one of the following criteria met:

1) Primary infection or viral reactivation in immunocompromised individuals.
2) Encephalitis cases in immunocompromised individuals

Storage and Shipment:

Samples must be transported to the lab within 4 hours of collection.

Laboratory: Microbiology
Requisition: Electronic Order
Method of Analysis: RT-PCR
Test Schedule: Referred out Monday-Thursday
Referred to: The Hospital for Sick Children (SickKids)