

## **MEMORANDUM**

To:

All Regional Medical Laboratory, Inc. (RML) Clients

From:

Regional Medical Laboratory, Inc.

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Date:

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Subject:

New Molecular Respiratory Combination Test

RML is pleased to announce the availability of a new molecular assay for the simultaneous detection of SARS COV-2, Influenza A, Influenza B and Respiratory Syncytial Virus(RSV). This assay will improve turnaround time as compared to performing the separate assays. The details of this new assay are as follows:

| TEST NAME                                    | MNEMONIC        | TEST NUMBER |
|--|-----------------|-------------|
| SARS-COV2, Flu A/B, RSV<br>Respiratory 4Plex | COV2 FLU RSV 4P | 6907558     |

## Information for specimen collection:

| Specimen Site     | Specimen sites: Nasopharyngeal (NP) or Anterior Nares (AN) swab. If collecting AN specimens, both nares should be generously sampled with a single swab and placed in a single tube to maximize virus particle collection. |
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| Collection Device | Any swab of appropriate size and configuration with a synthetic or rayon tip and plastic shaft can be used.  DO NOT submit swabs with calcium alginate tips or swabs with wood shafts.  NOTE: Eswab should not be used.    |
| Media             | VTM, UTM, M6, or sterile saline.<br>1.0 - 3.0 mL of media.   |
| Stability         | 4-8°C: 72 hrs -20°C: 7 days Refrigerate specimens if they will be received in the lab within 72 hours of collection. If there will be delayed transport, freeze specimen at -20°C.   |

If you have any questions please contact RML Client Services at 918-744-2500 or your RML Account Representative.