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Detection of *Haemophilus influenzae* by Culture

Laboratory Submission Information Sheet

Reporting of suspect case to Maine CDC	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Yes: <i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> is a Notifiable Condition. If you have not already done so, please report suspect or confirmed cases to the Maine CDC via the disease reporting line: 1-800-821-5821 (24hrs/day 7 days/week).
Required To Submit Laboratory Specimen	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Yes
Required Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Information on requisition must include: suspected organism if known or required, patient name, DOB, date of collection, specimen source or type, submitter name and contact information.• Important: all specimens must be labeled with patient name and be accompanied by a HETL requisition.
Specimen Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Isolates
Collection Instructions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Isolates should be sent on appropriate biological growth media, preferably in a gas pack.• Ship samples at ambient temperature
Turn Around Time	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Results are generally available within 18-36 hrs of specimen receipt.• Samples requiring culture and isolation may extend turn-around-time by 72 hours
Unacceptable Conditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Specimens received without a form and clinical details or with insufficient material to analyze.• Specimens in poorly labeled/unlabeled or leaking containers.
Results	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Report will include species identification, and typing• Results will only be reported to the submitter listed on the requisition
Laboratory Testing Fee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fee Waived
Applicable CPT Codes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 87147 X6 (Tests for 6 subtypes)• 87040 (culture for blood)• 87070 (culture for other source)
Additional Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bacteriology at 207-287-1704• Virology, Respiratory, Arbovirus, Serology, and STI at 207-287-1722• Molecular Biology, Sequencing, and Foodborne at 207-287-5769• Mycobacterium and Rabies at 207-287-1706