

COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO HEALTH AGENCY PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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Notice

The preferred collection media for the *Bordetella* pertussis (whooping cough) test is now Viral Transport Medium (VTM).

Test	New Transport Medium	Previous Transport Medium
Bordetella pertussis (whooping cough)	VTM – Preferred Saline – Acceptable	Saline – Required VTM – Not Acceptable
Influenza	VTM – Required	No Change
Respiratory Panel (RP)	VTM – Required	No Change

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