



November 7, 2023

Dear Valued Client,

We trust this letter finds you well. At IHD Lab, we are continually dedicated to expanding and enhancing our testing capabilities to better serve your patients. It is with great excitement that we announce the expansion of our Group B Streptococcus (GBS) PCR testing on our molecular testing platform, which is now live and effective immediately.

Our expanded GBS PCR testing service is designed to provide rapid and precise results, aiding healthcare providers in making informed decisions about patient care. This molecular testing platform offers several benefits compared to our existing culture technique including higher sensitivity and faster turnaround time.

Please note that our existing GBS Culture testing (Test Codes 10003 and 10006) will still be available but will eventually be disengaged on December 1, 2023. Any orders for GBS Culture received after this date will automatically divert to our molecular platform. This transition ensures that you continue to receive GBS testing seamlessly, with the added benefits of our new PCR testing service.

Below is a table of our new test codes.

Test Code	Test Name	Specimen Requirement	Notes
4255	Group B Streptococcus (GBS), PCR	eSwab	-
4277	Group B Streptococcus (GBS), PCR w/ reflex to Sensitivity	eSwab	Positive GBS will reflex to Sensitivity for an additional charge

We appreciate your continued trust and partnership with IHD Lab. We are committed to remaining at the forefront of clinical testing to better serve your needs and the health of your patients.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Chen", with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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