Questions or concerns:

**New Laboratory Test**

**Respiratory Pathogen Panel (RPP)**

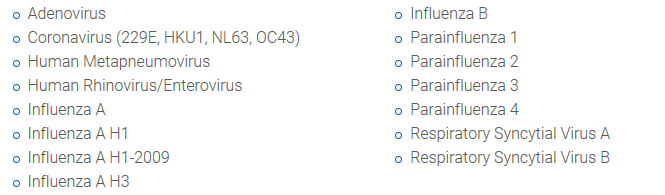
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**The current Respiratory Panel (RVPM, LAB7079) is being replaced by the Respiratory Pathogen Panel (RPP, LAB7107) starting 09/26/2019.**

The Respiratory panels are PCR based tests for multiple respiratory pathogens. Both are tested from NP swabs. The laboratory is switching to new instrumentation to facilitate a faster turnaround time.

Specimen collection, transport and stability will remain the same. Only nasopharyngeal swabs submitted in viral transport media can be tested.

The new test will not have *Bordetella pertussis* (available as a send out test, LAB3059), and *Coronavirus* will not be typed. The pathogens tested are as follows:



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