## **Reflex Testing Policy**

Reflexed tests are any test that automatically results in second tests being performed based on preset criteria or benchmark of the first test. The second test is usually an additional charge. To ensure regulatory compliance, SVH is pleased to provide the following information. All tests contained in this section (both single tests and profiles) may, depending on the result of the test being "reflexed" into additional testing.

Please Note: For your convenience, such "reflexive" tests are also identified under each test's listing in the main test directory. This list is subject to modification.

## **Reflex Testing Policy**

It is the policy of Saint Vincent Healthcare (SVH) to carefully evaluate all reflexive testing using the following criteria:

□ Is the reflexive test required by accrediting agencies (e.g., CAP) or by federal or state mandates (e.g. CLIA, Medical Test Site)?

□ Is the reflexive test considered "good laboratory practice," providing accurate clinical information to the physician?

□ Does the reflexive test incur an additional charge, or is it included in the standard test charge?

□ Is the ordering physician clearly given the option to order a test with - as well as without -the reflexive test being performed?

□ Has the ordering physician been informed through the design of the requisition form, information in the SVH Test Directory, and Test Alerts and Updates?

See following page for current list.

<u>Compliance with this policy will be monitored by an annual audit to in-</u> <u>clude:</u>



## **Reflexed or Automatic Re-test\***

## Tests which may incur additional charges

Microbiology		Blood Bank	Blood Bank	
AFBCU	AFB Culture and Smear	ABIDD	Antibody ID	
ANACU	Anaeroci Culture	ABRH	ABO/RH	
BLDCU	Blood Culture	ABSR	Antibody Screen	
BSTRPB	Genital Group B Culture	DIRC	Direct Coombs Microbiology	
BFCUL	Fluid Culture and Smear	Chemistry	Chemistry	
CSFCU	CSF Culture and Smear	ANAAR	ANA W/Reflex	
FUNGC	Fungus Culture and Smear	LIPRLX	Lipid panel with reflex LDL	
HSV	Herpes Culture	EUPR	Urine electrophoresis with reflex to IFE	
MISCU	Miscellaneous Culture			
MRT	Micro Referred Test	SPEPVR	Serum Protein Electrophoresis with reflex to IFE	
RESPL	Respiratory Culture	L		
RSC	Rapid Strep Screen			
STLCU	Stool Culture			
SURCU	Surveillance Culture			
THRCU	Throat Culture			
TISC	Tissue Culture			
UCULT	Urine Culture			
GUCUL	Genital Culture			
WDCUL	Wound Culture and Smear			
YERCU	Yersinia Culture			

\*List does not include Referred Tests and is subject to change.

