

**UNITYPOINT HEALTH - MERITER LABORATORIES**  
**TEST ANNOUNCEMENT**  
**Urine Culture Reflex Criteria Update**

05/13/2022

Meriter Laboratories will be updating reflex to culture criteria for Culture, Urine Reflex Test on Wednesday, May 25th at 8:00AM. Dipstick positive for leukocyte esterase will *be removed* from the reflex criteria. WBC on the microscopic will *be changed* to WBC  $\geq 10$ .

Test	EAP Number
Culture, Urine Reflex Test	LAB5303 (ZCXUIF)

Current Reflex Criteria	New Reflex Criteria
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dipstick is positive for:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ NITRITES and/or LEUKOCYTE ESTERASE</li></ul></li><li>• Microscopic shows:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ BACTERIA <math>\geq</math> MODERATE/HPF</li><li>○ YEAST is PRESENT</li><li>○ WBC <math>\geq 5</math>/HPF</li></ul></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dipstick is positive for:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ NITRITES</li></ul></li><li>• Microscopic shows:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ BACTERIA <math>\geq</math> MODERATE/HPF</li><li>○ YEAST is PRESENT</li><li>○ WBC <math>\geq 10</math>/HPF</li></ul></li></ul>

If you have any questions, please call the UnityPoint Health - Meriter Laboratories Client Services Department at 608-417-6529 or 1-800-236-0465.