

### Blood Culture Bottle Requirements Per Venipuncture Draws

Bacterial Blood Culture Volume for Adults*	Aerobic Bottle Volume	Anaerobic Bottle Volume
16 – 20 ml	Split equally between aerobic and anaerobic bottle	
10 – 15 ml	8 ml	remainder
5 – 9 ml	entire blood amount	0
Bacterial Blood Culture Volume for Infants and Small Children <40 kg	Pediatric Aerobic Bottle Volume	
1 – 4 ml	entire blood amount	
Fungal or AFB Blood Culture Volume for All Ages Collect SPS Yellow Tube (contact lab for supply)		
1-7 ml		

\*Difficult adult blood draws with volumes less than or equal to 5 mls must be placed in Aerobic Bottle. DO NOT USE PEDIATRIC BOTTLES FOR ADULT COLLECTIONS.