



Laboratory Services

To: Asante Health Care Providers
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Subject: Saliva specimens – SARS CoV2 testing

Effective 8 August 2022, Asante laboratories will no longer perform SARS CoV2 (aka covid-19) testing on saliva specimens.

These specimens require a "batched" quantity to perform the analysis. Due to a marked reduction in volume over the past months, we are no longer able to provide results in an acceptable time frame.

If you have a patient who is unable to have a nasal collection, please indicate on your lab order that the patient requires an oropharyngeal collection.

If you have questions about this change, please contact me at 541-789-5310 or sherry.sorenson@asante.org.