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Important Reminder:

Track Your HIV Testing Shipments

Maintaining accurate tracking records for all HIV testing shipments is crucial. In case of FedEx service disruptions, it's your responsibility to monitor delivery to ensure timely arrival at the CDD.

You can easily track your shipment with tracking number on <https://www.fedex.com/en-us/home.html>.

The "D2 Barcode deficiencies email" indicates specimens haven't arrived and haven't been tested. You have 10 days to notify CDD of the shipment status to avoid specimen discard. ***CDD is unable to track specimens by batch numbers. When inquiring, please provide barcode numbers and your site UIC numbers in the email inquiry***.

For questions or issues, contact CDD and NBIMC at:
Military@cddmedical.com; dha.bethesda.walter-reed-med-ctr.mbx.nbimc@health.mil

Your vigilance ensures efficient HIV testing process avoiding redraws.

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HIV test status in MRRS not updated?

To request MRRS record update, please email dha.bethesda.Walter-Reed-Med-Ctr.mbx.nbimc@health.mil the Last, First Name and DoD ID number of any affected service member. NBIMC staff will review their results to ensure that tests resulted comply with Force Testing Requirements and update the records in MRRS accordingly.

To update a service member's HIV status in MRRS, NBIMC staff need a test result that is compliant with the Force testing requirements. This result needs to be from a **force testing HIV-1/2 AG/AB 4G.**

Please note that we cannot use civilian provider or (VA) result to update the HIV readiness in MRRS. HIV results from private/civilian/VA providers are not compliant with the SECNAVINST 5300.30 and DODI 6485.01 (Please see the link below). In these instructions, testing for HIV must be reported to the Defense Medical Surveillance System (DMSS) and the remaining serum must be sent to the DoD Serum Repository. The member will need to go to an MTF or a NOSC to get the appropriate test completed as indicated above.



DODI 6485.01
update.pdf



SECNAVINST
5300.30F - HIV HBV H

Alternate options to fulfill Force Testing (HIV) requirement when MTF is not available.

Utilizing Leidos QTC Health Services is another option for completing HIV force testing. Please contact the customer service department using the link below prior to visiting their location.

<https://www.qtc.com/government/military-readiness/>

Further testing location details for:

SMs in Reserve Components, active-duty SMs enrolled in TRICARE Prime Remote, and/or United States Coast Guard (USCG)/Reserve SMs:

- All DOD Reservist, Active Duty enrolled in Tricare Prime Remote (less Air Force and Space Force), and Department of Homeland Security USCG/Reserve Service Members can use Reserve Health Readiness Program (RHRP) for HIV blood draws.
- Once drawn, samples are shipped to CDD for both Army and Maritime to undergo processing and CDD notifies applicable Service Components of the test results.

***RHRP does not support Reserve or Active-Duty Air Force and Space Force SMs for HIV draws.

SMs should follow normal RHRP procedures to request medical readiness and deployment related services by following their Service Components guidelines and contacting the RHRP supporting contractor.

Further test order information below:

- HIV blood draws are ordered by calling the RHRP Call Center or placing requests in the RHRP Service Component portal, or RHRP SM portal.
- HIV blood draws can be provided in "Group Events". "Group Events" involve the collection of large numbers (minimum of 30) of SMs typically ordered by Commanders/Unit.
- HIV blood draws can also be provided individually in a RHRP network providers office or clinic in the civilian community.

*CDD Requests ALL Sites send a current supply inventory (supply Inventory Excel spreadsheet) to military@cddmedical.com.

- Your site may not have all supplies listed on site.
- This is not to initiate supply order requests.
- If you require additional supplies, when necessary, please contact CDD directly at military@cddmedical.com to initiate supply restocking by completing Supply Restocking Form provided by CDD.

Supply Inventory Form

CDD Supply Inventory for your site:	UIC:
Supply Name	Quantity on Hand
Air40 boxes	
Clear Ziploc bags	
FedEx envelopes (purple)	
FedEx clinical paks	
Barcode labels	
Serum tubes (pour off/aliquot)	
SST's (serum separator tubes)	
Tampers seals (red)	
CONUS boxes (large – hold up to 5 Air40's)	
Packaging tape	
	Updated Date

Supply Update Reminders

CDD would like to inform sites of Greiner tubes sizing alterations. All 5mL Greiner tubes currently used by CDD have been replaced with 8mL Greiner tubes. Please note that the 8mL Greiner tubes are also the same size as the 7mL Greiner tubes, previously used by CDD. In the meantime, CDD requests that all sites utilize any remaining 5mL Greiner tubes currently available to them.

Rejection Metric Reports

NBIMC has developed Rejection Metric Reports for all laboratory sites to track deficiency data. Reports from January 2024 to December 2024 are now available. Your site will receive an email with reports, please review your site deficiencies data and contact us if you have any question.

- Total # of tests submitted per site/UIC
- Total # of rejections (D2-D9 deficiencies) per site/UIC
- Average percent rejects per site/UIC
- D4 reject totals broken down by D4 reject reasonings
- D1 COR errors & D1 COR % rejects per site/UIC

Site Specific Rejection Metric Reports are **available upon request**. Submit a report request via email to NBIMC Program Analysts:

Julia Wolfrey and Ai Marrero
julia.d.wolfrey.ctr@health.mil;
ai.marrero.civ@health.mil.

POC Site Update Reminders

The Center for Disease Detection (CDD) requests all POC's to inform CDD if/when they will be leaving a site. Additionally, POC's are required to inform CDD of any new POC's and/or any changes to the site's contact list. By continually communicating with CDD, all sites will remain up to date as staff changes occur, allowing for more up to date POC listings.

Please email Military@cddmedical.com; dha.bethesda.Walter-Reed-Med-Ctr.mbx.nbimc@health.mil with any POC site changes.