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On the 4th of July 2026, America will celebrate the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

CDD Operations - 2026 Independence Day Holiday

NBIMC is located on the NSA Bethesda campus in Bldg. 17B.
Hours: 6 a.m. to 5 p.m.
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OPEN – Friday, July 3rd, 2026

CLOSED Independence Day (America 250!) – Saturday, July 4th, 2026

OPEN – Monday, July 6th, 2026

IMPORTANT:

! Any samples that are picked up by FedEx on Friday, July 3rd will be held at a FedEx hub until Monday, July 6th. Be advised that this delay could affect viability of the samples depending on their draw dates.

SST Usage – Check Expiration Dates

MINIMIZE WASTE! Check expiration dates of SSTs and utilize SSTs with nearing expiration dates over those with later expiration dates!

For all sites using Serum Separator Tubes (SSTs), please be sure to check expiration dates and use SSTs with upcoming expiration dates before using brand new SSTs with later expiration dates. Sites failing to check expiration dates of SSTs are incorrectly utilizing inventory and contributing to waste of SST tubes. Please do not request more SSTs unless all older tubes have been used first.

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UIC Numbers Needed!

For anyone requiring assistance from CDD in terms of specimen submission, tracking, processing, etc., please be sure you list your UIC # in the email and/or phone call.

Without the UIC #, CDD cannot decipher what site and location you are reaching out from, further delaying their ability to assist you. Please leave your full name, UIC #, Site Name, and any other important contact information when contacting CDD for assistance.

CDD Group Email: CDD_Military@labcorp.com

CDD Fax Number: (888) 858-8664

Sample Transfer Lists NOT Required

For sites receiving D-1 deficiencies, please be aware that the transfer lists printed and included with samples are unable to be used at CDD. CDD has reported a misconception amongst sites with D-1 rejects who assume the printed transfer lists they send can be utilized to enter orders at CDD. However, this is untrue and it is okay for sites to stop sending these lists.

Please continue checking all orders have been placed in MRRS or MHS Genesis

Sending a message with Personally Identifiable Information (PII)?

Please remember to encrypt or FAX all messages including PII. CDD and NBIMC have received numerous unencrypted emails containing PII. Any PII that can cause harm, financial loss, or identity theft should always be sent with encryption. Failing to do so could potentially lead to a HIPAA violation. Healthcare records including Protected Health Information (PHI), medical history, and any other personal health data require encryption to protect patients. Please abide by these rules and

ensure all messages containing PII or PHI are encrypted.

Routing of HIV Test Results – U.S. Embassies

For DoD active-duty personnel assigned to U.S. embassies, ALL HIV test results must be securely routed through the Department of State MED email system.

NBIMC has received several unencrypted HIV test result documents by email. PLEASE do not send these results directly to NBIMC. Instead, route all results for active-duty personnel assigned to U.S. embassies through the Department of State (MED) email to ensure information is protected and properly transmitted.

Can you clarify HIV test ordering for the following scenarios?

- a. Standard Duty Screening: Is the correct order "HIV-1/2 AG/AB 4G CDD"?
Yes, the HIV-1/2 AG/AB 4G CDD test is sufficient for all military branches.
- b. PrEP 3-Month Checkup: Which order should be used for service members on PrEP?
For members on PrEP, they should receive the usual force testing HIV test (acceptable test names below), however, on the order, under Source of Test (SOT), the provider should choose G. SOT G is the source of test used for all members on PrEP to ensure the sample is additionally tested for PCR.
- c. Other Scenarios: Are there other situations requiring a different HIV test order?
There are no circumstances in which the test names provided in the image below should not be used. All tests below meet force testing requirements, other test names do not and therefore will not be accepted.

Orderable Item Description	Synonym Primary
• HIV-1/O/2 (AF FT EPI)	HIV-1/O/2
• HIV-1/O/2 CDD (Army/Navy FT)	HIV-1/O/2 CDD
• HIV-½ AG/AB 4G CDD	HIV-½ AG/AB 4G CDD