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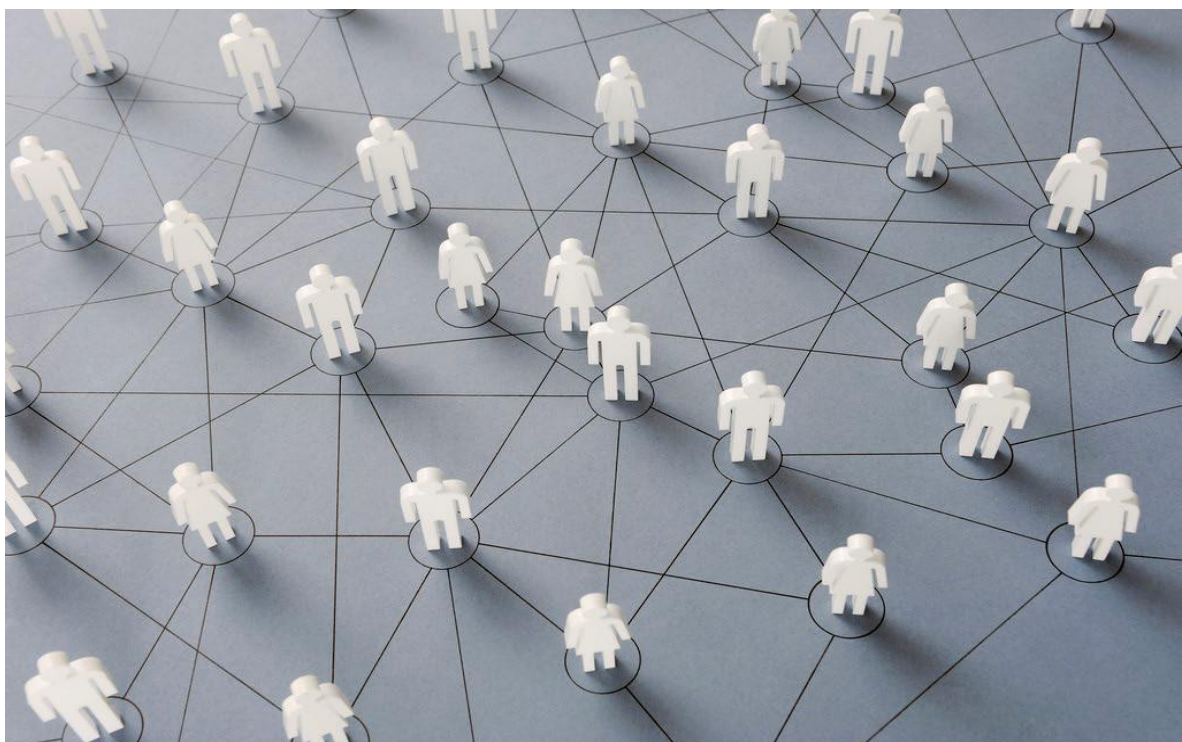
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NBIMC is located on the NSA Bethesda campus in Bldg. 17B.

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NBIMC News

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Specimen Labeling & Shipping

Specimens must be labeled and shipped according to the testing lab's policy and procedures. The guidelines for specimen labeling and shipping are available on the NBIMC website at this link [Testing Contractor Submission Guidelines](#). **Specimens labeled incorrectly, illegible barcode labels wrinkled, smudged, or blank, will be rejected by the testing lab.** **Shipping Delays:** you must collect using a different tube than the ones supplied. Centrifuge samples and transfer the serum to the screw cap vials (supplied) – See [Testing Contractor Submission Guidelines](#) Pg. 1 Figure 2.

Test Orders

Specimen orders must be entered before the shipment of specimens. Sites are responsible for ensuring the orders are placed, specimens are labeled properly with the correct test order, and review the shipping manifest. **The testing lab cannot re-label a specimen.**



Recent Updates

Newsletter – New Look, New Name – “The Review”

The Navy Bloodborne Infection Management Center (NBIMC) produces a monthly newsletter with articles about HIV testing and other related subject matters. The main audience for the newsletters is the medical personnel (Navy and Marines) or Points of Contact (POC) and Lab Officers at the Medical Treatment Facilities (MTF), the Navy Operational Support Centers (NOSC), US Navy ships and Branch Medical Clinics (BMC) and the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) medical personnel.

Upcoming Holiday – **June 19th**

The upcoming holiday is Monday, June 19th. CDD Testing lab **will be open** during normal hours for receipt of shipments and testing.

If you have any questions, please contact CDD at: **877.233.1337** or email: Military@cddmedical.com

CDC import permit 2024

Sites that have expiring 2023 CDC import permits should discard and use the new CDC Permit for 2024. CDD has sent out an email with the new CDC Permit for 2024 as a pdf attachment.



WELCOME

New NBIMC Staff

Stephanie Kaham-Ward, MPM
Lead Program Analyst
Arrival – September 2022

Stephanie is the system administrator for information management and advisor to implementing automated systems. Duties include management of the information systems used for accomplishing the mission of NBIMC. She is the lead for the HIV Management System (HMS) project.

LaKeisha Jones, MSHS, MLS(AMT)
Clinical Laboratory Scientist
Arrival – January 2023

LaKeisha serves as Clinical Laboratory Scientist and team leader for the Force Testing and Data Analysis Focus Group. Her major duties include implementing quality assessment policy, quality assurance guidelines, informatics strategies, and monitoring testing contract resources.

Ai Marrero
Program Analyst
Arrival – February 2023

Ai develops, analyzes, and evaluates new and modified program management policies, regulations, goals, and objectives for contract and program management.

Denise Chambers, MHA
Congratulations on your new role as Health Science Specialist!

Denise directs, implements, and administers serodiagnostic and epidemiology policy, procedures, and guidelines through interfacing with HIV Evaluation and Treatment (HETU) coordinators, healthcare providers, and points of contact worldwide.

NBIMC Staff – Spotlight

Officer In Charge – Captain Nimfa Teneza-Mora



After graduating cum laude from the University of Maryland College Park with a bachelor's degree in Aerospace Engineering and designing spacecraft systems at the Naval Research Laboratory, CAPT Nimfa Teneza-Mora was commissioned into the U.S. Navy in 1993. She earned her doctorate in medicine from the Eastern Virginia Medical School through the Armed Forces Health Professions Scholarship Program in 1997. She completed Internal Medicine residency training at the National Naval Medical Center Bethesda in 2004 and Infectious Diseases fellowship training at the Naval Medical Center San Diego in 2006. CAPT Teneza-Mora served in various clinical, research, academic, and executive medical leadership roles, including Naval Medical Research Center Director of Clinical Trials Center and Executive Officer of Naval Medical Research Unit 6 (NAMRU-6) in Lima, Peru. In 2019, CAPT Teneza-Mora assumed command of the Naval Medical Research Unit Dayton (NAMRU-Dayton) in Ohio. In 2021, CAPT Teneza-Mora assumed the role of Officer in Charge (OIC), at the Navy Bloodborne Infection Management Center (NBIMC). CAPT Teneza-Mora holds a Master of Public Health degree from San Diego State University and maintains her board certification in Internal Medicine and Infectious Diseases.

As NBIMC OIC, CAPT Teneza-Mora oversees the administration and execution of the DON HIV program and provides subject matter expert support for developing DON and Navy Medicine policies on HIV, Hepatitis B, and Hepatitis C viruses.

Fun Fact: Proud mom of two amazing young men: Mark (26), who is establishing his path in academic research developing cancer-fighting drugs, and Adrian (24), who is forging his career in architecture designing sustainable buildings and structures.