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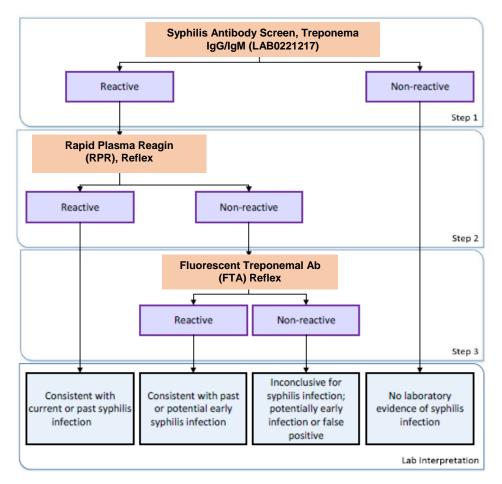
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## SUBJECT: Syphilis Screening Changes

On November 15, 2016, CentraCare Health Laboratories will adopt the reverse syphilis serology testing algorithm as out lined below. The **Syphilis Antibody Screen, Treponema IgG/IgM (LAB0221217)** testing assay detects Treponema pallidum antigens (TpN15, TpN17 and TpN47). All samples with a "Reactive" screen will be reflexed for a RPR confirmation. Any samples with conflicting results will be forwarded to MDH for Fluorescent Treponemal Antibody (FTA) confirmation.

- The Syphilis Antibody Screen, Treponema IgG/IgM will be performed 7 days a week.
- RPR testing will be performed on Monday Friday.
- Specimen Type: Serum



## **Reverse Syphilis Serology Testing Algorithm**

Please contact Jerome Schlabsz, Chemistry Technical Specialist at 251-2700 ext. 57325 with any questions.