

# CENTRACARE Laboratory Services

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**TO:** CCLS Clients

**FROM:** CCLS - Specimen Referral Center

**DATE:** 09/11/2018

**SUBJECT:** Herpes Simplex Virus (HSV) and Varicella-Zoster Virus (VZV),  
Molecular Detection, PCR

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Effective September 18, 2018, Mayo will be making the following test obsolete:

HERPES SIMPLEX VIRUS (HSV) AND VARICELLA-ZOSTER VIRUS (VZV),  
MOLECULAR DETECTION, PCR, MAYO CODE LHSVZ (LAB0299131)

This test will become obsolete due to the assay moving to a new commercially available test (ARIES, Luminex Corporation).

Recommended Alternative Tests:

HERPES SIMPLEX VIRUS 1 AND 2, QUALITATIVE PCR, VARIES, MAYO CODE  
HERPV (LAB0201806)

VARICELLA-ZOSTER VIRUS, MOLECULAR DETECTION, PCR, MAYO CODE LVZV  
(LAB0299123)

**NOTE:** If testing for both HSV and VZV is required, 2 separate specimens should be submitted. One sample should be ordered for HERPV (Herpes Simplex Virus 1 and 2, Qualitative PCR, Varies) and a second for LVZV (Varicella-Zoster Virus, Molecular Detection, PCR)

Please feel free to contact the CCLS Specimen Referral Center with any questions at 320-251-2700 Ext. 57320.