



**PROVINCIAL LABORATORY
MEDICINE SERVICES**

Provincial Health Services Authority

BCCDC Public Health Lab

MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 11, 2024

TO: Laboratory Operations Directors
Laboratory Medical Directors
Provincial Microbiology Advisory Committee

FROM: BCCDC Public Health Laboratory

RE: **Transition of *H. pylori* antibody testing to LifeLabs**

What is happening?

On January 27, 2025, *Helicobacter pylori* antibody testing (i.e. serology testing) will transition from being performed at the BCCDC Public Health Laboratory (PHL) to LifeLabs.

LifeLabs will be communicating information regarding specimen requirements and test methodology. Please update your test directories and laboratory information system routing as required to ensure samples are shipped to LifeLabs as of January 27, 2025. Any samples received at BCCDC PHL after this date will be forwarded to LifeLabs for testing.

Questions?

All questions related to shipping, specimen requirements or test specifications can be addressed to Dora Tsang at LifeLabs.

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Please distribute further as appropriate.