

10A NCAC 41A .0209 LABORATORY TESTING

All laboratories shall do the following:

- (1) When *Neisseria meningitidis* is isolated from a normally sterile site, test the organism for specific serogroup or send the isolate to the State Laboratory of Public Health for serogrouping;
- (2) When a stool culture is requested on a specimen from a person with bloody diarrhea, culture the stool for shiga-toxin producing *Escherichia coli* or send the specimen to the State Laboratory of Public Health;
- (3) When *Haemophilus influenzae* is isolated, test the organism for specific serogroup or send the isolate to the State Laboratory of Public Health for serogrouping; and
- (4) When *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* complex is isolated, test the organism for specific restriction fragment length polymorphism (RFLP) or send the isolate, or a subculture of the isolate, to the State Laboratory of Public Health for genotyping.

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