UVMMC MRSA PCR and GBS PCR Test Changes

The manufacturer of our PCR assays for MRSA and Group B Streptococcus has shifted resources to focus on COVID19 testing and we are now experiencing some shortages in product availability for both MRSA PCR and Group B PCR testing. There may be occasions when a MRSA PCR (LAB1368) test order or a Group B PCR (LAB2540) test order will need to be changed to a culture. When necessary, the UVMMC Microbiology Lab will cancel and credit the PCR order and order a bacterial culture. There will be an increase in turn-around time of up to 48-72 hours when this occurs.

For interfaced clients who order either of these PCR tests, if the order is changed to a culture, the culture result will be faxed to your location.

Please contact the UVMMC Microbiology Laboratory at (802) 847-2339 for questions.