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# **Client Update**

## JUNE 30, 2020 - COVID19

### To Our Valued Clients,

The entire team at BioReference is committed to service and appreciates all of your efforts in the fight against the pandemic of COVID-19, and we are thankful that you have chosen BioReference as your laboratory to assist you in identifying and managing infection in your region.

- The BioReference PCR Laboratory has been running COVID-19 tests 24 hours a day, seven days a week since March 13, 2020
- We will be conducting a deep maintenance of the lab and equipment over the holiday weekend of the Fourth of July.
- This quality control measure is necessary to ensure our equipment continues to run at optimal levels, and ensure the safety of the personnel that work in the PCR laboratory.
- In order to facilitate this process, BioReference will not be accepting COVID-19 PCR specimens from July 3-5, 2020 and will not be picking up specimens on Thursday, July 2, 2020.

Important Note: During this period, BioReference will continue to accept specimens from critical patients. A dedicated space in the laboratory has been prepared to accommodate these critical specimens. Service levels will not be impacted.

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BioReference Laboratories and its subsidiaries will be observing the Independence Day holiday on **Saturday**, **July 4**, **2020** and our various locations will be on a limited and/or closed schedule. Customer Service will remain open at our main campus in Elmwood Park, NJ and our Logistics/Transportation Team will be working at a limited capacity.

For clients within the local network (New York, New Jersey):

• **Courier Pick-up:** If you require a pick-up on Saturday, July 4, please call by Wednesday, July 1 and select option 3 (Specimen Pick-up/Transportation).

• **FedEx:** FedEx will be observing the Independence Day holiday. On Friday, July 3, there will be modified services and on Saturday, July 4, there will not be any services.

- o If you use FedEx services, please check service availability in your area on Friday, July 3, 2020
- Any specimens drawn Friday, July 3 will be picked-up by FedEx on Monday, July 6, 2020

For clients outside the NY/NJ area, please be advised of the schedule for our nationwide locations:

- Campbell, CA: Closed on Independence Day and will resume operations on Monday, July 6
- Melbourne, FL: Closed on Independence Day and will resume operation on Monday, July 6
- Houston, TX: Closed on Independence Day and will resume operations on Monday, July 6

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and have a wonderful holiday.

### NOTES:

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\* TAT is based upon receipt of the specimen at the laboratory.

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