

Additional Questions and Answers #1
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Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
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Laboratory Services – Clifton T. Perkins Hospital Center

Questions:

Q1: What are CULTURE TYPING AGGLUTINAT and GROWTH EVALUAT from the Bid Form?

A1: "Culture typing agglutinate" and "Growth Evaluation" are just terms used to express our need for services in processing blood cultures, urine cultures and wound culture specimens which we collect in the clinic. They are not specific tests in themselves but rather more generic terms expressing our needs.

Q2: If we are unable to provide a test on the bid form will this result in disqualification?

A2: Every blank in every Bid Form shall be filled in. Any blanks may result in the Bid being regarded as non-responsive and thus rejected.

Q3: Do you require 24hr STAT services or just during certain business hours?

A3: Yes, we do require 24hr STAT service. We have collected specimens in the evenings and on the weekends in the past and may need to do so in the future. This need is rare however and is the exception. STAT services are usually required during the normal Medical Clinic business hours 8am-4:30pm, Mon. through Fri.