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Subject: **Change in Calling of Positive COVID-19 PCR Results**

Effective July 16, 2020, the Clinical Microbiology Laboratory will no longer call positive COVID-19 PCR results to providers or outside submitters. These results are instantly available in Epic once verified and a positive COVID-19 PCR result triggers a patient flag requesting isolation orders in Epic. For affiliates not on Epic, the positive results are automatically faxed to the submitting location.

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