

1/7/2016 - Immediate Action, Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute, Valencia

DISCONTINUED TESTS			
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Due to the background information related to these changes, we are unable to use our normal method of communication. These changes listed in this document are effective in less than 30 days. Please note the individual effective dates below, as some of these changes require IMMEDIATE ACTION.

## Discontinued Tests

Leptospira Antibody Screen with Reflex to Titer	
Message	<p>Dear Client,</p> <p>The Leptospira reagents for the validated Leptospira IHA antibody test have been discontinued with short notice from the manufacturer. Focus Diagnostics Reference Laboratory is working to bring up a new validated test in the future, however this may not be available for some time. We are inactivating the order code at this time.</p> <p>We apologize for this inconvenience and will notify you when we reactivate this test code.</p>
Effective Date	1/8/2016
Test Code	16529
Additional Information	<p>The recommended alternative is test code 17875 - Leptospira DNA Qualitative, Real-Time PCR.</p> <p>Please note: the sample types for test code 17875 Leptospira DNA, Qualitative PCR are 5 mL (1 mL minimum) frozen urine collected in a sterile, plastic, leakproof container, 1 ml ( 0.8 mL minimum) whole blood collected in EDTA (lavender-top) tube or 1 mL (0.5 minimum) CSF in sterile plastic leakproof container.</p>

Histoplasma Total Antibody	
Effective Date	1/11/2016
Test Code	8328
Additional Information	The recommended alternative is test code 2581 - Histoplasma Antibody, Complement Fixation, Serum.