



IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH & WELFARE

Test Title	Bordetella pertussis, Detection In Clinical Samples Methodology: Culture
Sample Requirements	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Sample type(s): nasopharyngeal swab in Regan-Lowe transport media or nasopharyngeal aspirate; calcium alginate, polyester, or Dacron swabs are recommended2. Rejection criteria: do not use cotton swab as they are toxic to <i>B. pertussis</i>
Sampling Materials	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Sample container: swab in Regan-Lowe media
Procedural Notes	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Use the B. pertussis Test Request Form and Client Billing Form (if applicable). Also reference the B. pertussis Collection Instructions sheet found below the test request form.2. CPT Code: 87081 (Culture ID)
Shipping Instructions	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Temperature/preservative instructions: ship at room temperature if <3 days from collection or refrigeration temperature if > 3 days from collection2. Package according to Biological Substance, Category B, shipping guidelines.3. Ship to: Idaho Bureau of Laboratories ATTENTION: Bacteriology Laboratory 2220 Old Penitentiary Rd Boise, ID 83712
Reporting and Turnaround Time (TAT)	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. TAT: up to 12 days2. This disease must be reported to your local health district or to the state Bureau of Communicable Disease Prevention according to the rules and regulations governing Idaho reportable diseases (IDAPA 16.02.10).3. Reference range: N/A