



IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF  
**HEALTH & WELFARE**

<b>Test Title</b>	<b>Syphilis Treponemal Antibody Confirmation</b> <b>Methodology: TPPA</b>
<b>Sample Requirements</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Sample type(s): serum or plasma (0.5 ml)</li><li>2. Rejection criteria: N/A</li></ol>
<b>Sampling Materials</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Sample container: serum tube</li><li>2. Serum/CSF/Plasma should remain at room temperature for no longer than four hours. If assays are not completed within four hours, serum/CSF/plasma must be refrigerated at 2-8°C. Specimens may be stored at 2-8°C for 5 days. For long-term storage, the specimens will be frozen (at -20°C or lower). Specimens should not be used if they have incurred more than one freeze-thaw cycle. Mix specimens thoroughly after thawing. Serum specimens must be clear, free of hemolysis, and show no visible evidence of bacterial contamination (turbidity, hemolysis, or particulate matter).</li></ol>
<b>Procedural Notes</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. <a href="#">Virology/Serology Test Request Form</a></li><li>2. CPT code: 86781</li><li>3. Reflex confirmatory TPPA testing is performed on all serum VDRL specimens with results of weakly reactive or greater.</li></ol>
<b>Shipping Instructions</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Temperature/preservative instructions: refrigerated</li><li>2. Package according to Biological Substance, Category B, shipping guidelines.</li><li>3. Ship to: Idaho Bureau of Laboratories <b>ATTENTION: Serology Laboratory</b> 2220 Old Penitentiary Rd Boise, ID 83712</li></ol>
<b>Reporting and Turnaround Time (TAT)</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. TAT: 3 business days; 1 business day if a known exposure</li><li>2. 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).</li><li>3. Reference range: N/A</li></ol>