

MLS Laboratory Update: Cepheid Xpert[®] Xpress SARS-CoV-2/Flu/RSV *plus* testing kit availability

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Purpose of this Message:

To notify MLS labs that a limited number of Cepheid Xpert[®] Xpress SARS-CoV-2/Flu/RSV *plus* multiplex cartridges are available from MDH.

Action Item:

Cepheid Xpert[®] Xpress SARS-CoV-2/Flu/RSV *plus* kits can be ordered through this form : <u>https://redcap.health.state.mn.us/redcap/surveys/?s=YWWWL38N9HXRKNNP</u>

Additional Information:

- MDH has obtained a limited number of Cepheid Xpert[®] Xpress SARS-CoV-2/Flu RSV *plus* multiplex cartridges from the federal government for distribution to MLS laboratories at no-cost.
- Test cartridges have expirations dates ranging from May 2023 to August 2023.
- Laboratories must have their own analyzers installed; additional analyzers are not available from MDH.
- The test cartridges are packaged in boxes of 60 tests. Please order the number of full boxes (i.e., in multiples of 60 tests) on the order form linked above.

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