

**Bulletin** 

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## **EMR Microbiology Orders**

Dear clinical staff,

Our microbiology laboratory procedures are guided by specimen type and site and it is therefore critical for the laboratory to have accurate information in order to process patient samples. Please note that this applies to all specimens types, including urines. For example - a midstream urine is processed differently to samples collected in theatre such as a ureteric urine.

A selection of new comprehensive orders are now available which focus on descriptive body fluid sites to minimize the number of keystrokes required after selection while still providing the laboratory with all the relevant information including: Pleural fluid micro + culture, Ascitic fluid micro + culture, Vitreous fluid micro + culture.

It is our goal to continuously improve order options to assist clinicians, nurses, pathology staff and ultimately benefit the patient.

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Yours Sincerely,

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