

Date: August 21,2017

Laboratory Update:

BD Vaginal Panel

HIGHLIGHTS

- Available only at Lenco in NYC
- 3 most common infectious causes of vaginitis & 2 drug resistant yeast strains
- Simple collection process
- 14-days stability



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At Lenco Diagnostic Laboratory, we continually strive to offer significant diagnostic insights to assist clinicians in providing the highest quality of care for their patients. In March, we enhanced our Bacterial Vaginitis/Vaginosis screening menu by offering **BD Vaginal Panel** (*test #6770*), the first FDA-approved microbiome-based assay that detects the 3 most common infectious causes of vaginitis in addition to 2 drug-resistant yeast strains. On September 1, 2017, we will no longer offer BV/Vaginitis Panel (*test #1905*) assay; we will only offer **BD Vaginal Panel** assay.

BD Vaginal Panel assay has several important advantages over the BV/Vaginitis Panel (a.k.a. VPIII Vaginitis/Vaginosis Panel) screening test:

- Detection of Bacterial vaginosis, Candidiasis (Candida Group, C.glabrata, C.krusei), Trichomonas vaginalis
- Improved specimen stability of 14 days
- Upgraded and simplified collection process (see attached)

Please note:

- Test number 1905 will be changed to 6770 in all company-created and custom panels that include vaginitis/vaginosis screening.
- Please contact your Sales Representative to make any other changes to your custom panels, which will require a Custom Panel Authorization Form.
- Clinicians using EMR systems will need to update order and/or result codes to
 ensure that there are no disruptions in ordering and/or results reporting. Please
 contact your Sales Representative to facilitate your practice in the conversion
 process.

Lenco is committed to providing the highest quality of clinical laboratory testing available. The ability of BD Vaginal Panel screening assay to detect 2 drug-resistant yeast strains, assures clinicians of appropriate patient management and treatment.





For further questions regarding BD Vaginal Panel screening assay, please contact your Sales Representative or our Client Services Department at 718-232-1515, ext 9.

Best Regards,

Dr. Elena Agranovsky Medical Director

Please see attached updated collection procedure.

TEST NAME: BD Vaginal Panel

TEST NUMBER: 6770

COLLECTION: Obtain a sample from posterior vaginal fornix and

place the swab into the sample collection tube

(Sample Buffer Tube).

CONTAINER: Affirm VPIII Ambient Temperature Transport System

TRANSPORT/STABILITY: Ambient 72 hours

REJECTION: Improper collection (specimen received not in

Affirm VPIII Ambient Temperature Transport System);

out of stability specimen; no swab received or dry

swab received.

DAYS SET UP: Monday - Saturday

EXPECTED TAT: 24-48 hours

METHOD: PCR

CPT CODE(S): 87491, 87481x3