

## General information for surveillance laboratories

### Surveillance organisms and sites

Please submit the following bacterial and fungal pathogens to the National Institute for Communicable Diseases (NICD) on Dorset Transport Media with a completed sterile site isolate form or stool isolate form or DISALab/ TrakCare Lab form.

Pathogen	Specimen	Lab tests	NICD Unit
<i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i> <i>Haemophilus</i> spp. <i>Neisseria meningitidis</i>	All normally sterile site specimens, e.g. CSF, blood, pleural fluid, peritoneal fluid, pericardial fluid, joint fluid, tissue, etc.	Culture positive <b>OR</b> Consistent Gram stain plus latex antigen test positive	CRDM
<i>Salmonella</i> spp. (including <i>Salmonella</i> Typhi) <i>Shigella</i> spp.	Any specimen	Culture positive	CED
Diarrhoeagenic <i>E. coli</i> <i>Vibrio cholerae</i>	Gastrointestinal specimens, e.g. stools, rectal swabs, etc.	Culture positive	CED
<i>Cryptococcus</i> spp.	Any specimen	Culture positive <b>OR</b> Latex positive <b>OR</b> India ink positive	COTHI (MRL)
† <i>Candida</i> spp.	Blood culture only	Culture positive	COTHI (MRL)
* <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	Blood cultures only	Culture positive	COTHI (AMRRU)

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