

H5N1 Influenza A Rule Out Testing Update

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Per the directive of the Ohio Department of Health, and Michigan Department of Health and Human Services:

- Moving forward, automatic in-house Influenza A subtype testing for patients testing positive for Influenza A will occur for **patients admitted to the ICU only**.
- If subtyping cannot confirm a common strain (e.g., AH1, AH3, AH1-2009), the specimen will be forwarded to state health departments for further testing, and Hospital Infection Prevention and Control will be notified.

