Maryland EIP/ABCs
http://phpa.dhmh.maryland.gov/OIDEOR/EIP/

Statewide Surveillance and Isolate Submission For:
- *Haemophilus influenzae*
- *Neisseria meningitidis*
- *Listeria monocytogenes*
- *Group B Streptococcus (S. agalactiae)*

Who:
Any Maryland Resident

Surveillance and Isolate Submission For:
- *Streptococcus pneumoniae*
- *Group A Streptococcus (S. pyogenes)*

Who:*
Any Resident of:
- Anne Arundel County
- Baltimore City
- Baltimore County
- Carroll County
- Harford County
- Howard County

* Please Note: This applies to ABCs reporting. Any additional state regulations regarding these isolates can be found in COMAR 10.06.01. http://ideha.dhmh.maryland.gov/SitePages/what-to-report.aspx

What Body Sites: Any normally sterile body site including:
- Blood
- CSF
- Internal Body Site
- Peritoneal Fluid
- Pericardial Fluid
- Pleural Fluid
- Muscle
- Bone
- Other normally sterile site (specify)
- Joint (Synovial fluid)

- **Internal Body Site:** Specimen obtained from surgery or aspirate from one of the following: lymph node, brain, heart, liver, spleen, vitreous fluid, kidney, pancreas, ovary, or vascular tissue. An abscess specimen obtained from other normally sterile body sites is also counted as a surveillance case.
- **Muscle:** Includes tissue or biopsy that is surgically obtained for Group A Streptococcus only.
- Specimens from skin infections such as skin abscesses, boils or furuncles or specimens from middle ear, amniotic fluid, placenta, sinus, wound, lung, gallbladder, appendix, cornea, cord blood or throat are not considered sterile sites for any ABCs organism and should not be indicated as the only specimen from which the pathogen was isolated. Two exceptions to this rule are listed below:
  - GBS placental isolates associated with fetal demise: If Group B Streptococcus is isolated from the placenta and/or amniotic fluid ONLY and fetal death occurs, it is considered a case for this surveillance system and should be reported to ABCs.
  - If Group A Streptococcus is isolated from a wound culture (e.g., incision) and is accompanied by necrotizing fasciitis or Streptococcal Toxic Shock Syndrome (STSS), it is considered a case for this surveillance system and should be reported to ABCs.

**Actions for ABCs cases:**
Call 410-223-1810 for ABCs/State ID Number
OR
Complete case notification form and fax to 410-223-1815

PLEASE SHIP ALL ISOLATES TO: MARYLAND DHMH LAB
201 W. Preston Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21201

--REMEMBER TO REPORT ALL APPROPRIATE CASES TO YOUR LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT--