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## Test Order HIV Screening

Synonym(s)	HIV CMIA, HIV Antibody (Ab) and Antigen (Ag) Screening, HIV Confirmatory Testing
Methodology	Chemiluminescent Microparticle Immunoassay (CMIA) and Geenius HIV
Acceptable Specimen Type(s) for Testing	Blood in K2EDTA (lavender) or K2EDTA with plasma separator (pearl white top).
Transport / Collection Medium	N/A
Storage and Preservation of Specimen	Freshly drawn specimens (whole blood) may be held at 15-30°C for up to 6 hours or at 2-8°C for up to 24 hours, prior to centrifugation. After centrifugation, plasma specimens may be stored at 2-8°C for up to 5 days. If longer storage is required, plasma specimens must be held at -70°C or lower.
Minimum Volume Required	2 mL
Additional Collection Instructions	
Additional Required Information	Collection date and time required.
Send Out?	No
Turnaround Time	7 business days from receipt
Testing Restrictions	
Requisition Form(s)	<a href="http://sfcdcp.org/document.html?id=1035">http://sfcdcp.org/document.html?id=1035</a>
Limitations / Notes / Disclaimers	Only for contracted submitters.

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