

# HIV testing – Community Campus only

## APPLIES TO COMMUNITY CAMPUS TESTING ONLY

- The **HIV Rapid Combo Kit Scrn (COMMUNITY CAMPUS ONLY) (LAB8938)** can have false negative results in patients with very high levels of **biotin** in their system
- Starting **March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026**, this test will be updated in the Epic order and results to reflect this possibility



- Biotin (Vitamin B7) is a water-soluble vitamin that is rarely deficient in patients, but is included in many multivitamins, is heavily marketed as a supplement, and is used in some patients at very high supplementation levels
- Very high levels of biotin (seen with ingesting more than 20mg/day) can interfere with this assay leading to false negative results
- If a Community Campus patient is taking high levels of biotin, a sample should be sent to Downtown Campus for **HIV Ag Ab Combo Screen (Downtown) (LAB2591)** testing. An additional 1-2 hour delay is anticipated for testing results due to transport