

The following antibiograms are profiles of antimicrobial susceptibility testing results of the most commonly reported respiratory tract, skin and soft tissue and urinary tract pathogens submitted to LifeLabs. The information in the antibiograms is to be used only as a guide, and we emphasize that culture and susceptibility testing are required for accurate determination of etiology and antimicrobial susceptibility.

Respiratory Tract Pathogens

ORGANISM	Number of isolates tested	ANTIBIOTIC (% susceptible)												
		Ampicillin	Azithromycin	Ceftazidime	Cefuroxime	Ciprofloxacin	Clarithromycin	Erythromycin	Gentamicin	Levofloxacin	Penicillin	Piperacillin	Tetracycline	TMX*
<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i>	301	86			99.7		97				R		98	84
<i>Moraxella catarrhalis</i> ¹	140										R			
<i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i>	135	88	64				64	64	R	100	88		71	71
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	79	R	R	97	R	86	R	R	86		R	97	R	R

¹Susceptibility testing for *Moraxella catarrhalis* is not routinely performed. Most clinical isolates of *M. catarrhalis* are resistant to amoxicillin but are generally susceptible to amoxicillin-clavulanate, macrolides, trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole, quinolones, cefuroxime, cefixime, and ceftriaxone.

Skin and Soft tissue Pathogens

ORGANISM	Number of isolates tested	ANTIBIOTIC (% susceptible)												
		Ampicillin	Azithromycin	Ceftriaxone	Cephalothin/Cephalexin	Ciprofloxacin	Clarithromycin	Clindamycin	Cloxacillin	Erythromycin	Levofloxacin	Penicillin	Tetracycline	TMX*
Streptococcus group A	227	100	83	100	**		83	83		83	100	100	R	100
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (MSSA)	5439				100				100	74			95	
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (MRSA)	2341	R		R	R	6		60	R	6		R	92	95

Please note: Antimicrobial susceptibility testing for Streptococcus group A is not routinely performed but was performed at physician's request.

** Streptococcus group A isolates that are susceptible to penicillin can be considered susceptible to cephalothin/cephalexin.

MSSA = Methicillin-susceptible *Staphylococcus aureus*; MRSA = Methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*

Urinary Tract Pathogens

ORGANISM	Number of isolates tested	ANTIBIOTIC (% susceptible)								
		Ampicillin	Cephalothin/Cephalexin	Ciprofloxacin	Gentamicin	Nitrofurantoin	Tetracycline	TMX*	Ceftazidime	Piperacillin
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	22100	60	57	82	93	96	74	79		
<i>Enterococcus</i> spp.	3205	99.6	R	73		98	22	R	R	
Streptococcus group B ¹	3064				R			R		
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i>	1896	R	94	96	99	23	88	93		
<i>Proteus</i> spp.	1234	72	83	84	94	R	R	75		
<i>Staphylococcus saprophyticus</i> ²	838									
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (MSSA)	340		100	75		98	96	97		
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	303	R	R	71	84	R	R	R	92	99.7

¹Antimicrobial susceptibility testing is not routinely performed on urine isolates of Streptococcus group B because such infections usually respond to antibiotics commonly used to treat uncomplicated urinary tract infections, such as ampicillin, cephalosporins and nitrofurantoin. Susceptibility to fluoroquinolones is variable.

²Antimicrobial susceptibility testing is not routinely performed on urine isolates of *Staphylococcus saprophyticus* because such infections usually respond to antibiotics commonly used to treat uncomplicated urinary tract infections, such as trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole, nitrofurantoin and fluoroquinolones.

	90-100% of isolates are susceptible to the antibiotic indicated (GOOD CHOICE)
	21-89% of isolates are susceptible to the antibiotic indicated (INTERMEDIATE CHOICE)
	0-20% of isolates are susceptible to the antibiotic indicated (POOR CHOICE)
R	The organism is inherently resistant to the antibiotic indicated OR is not recommended due to poor clinical response and/or poor activity
	Antimicrobial susceptibility testing not performed

*TMX = Trimethoprim-Sulfamethoxazole