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**Title 19—DEPARTMENT OF
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19 CSR 25-38.010 Laboratory Handling Fees

PURPOSE: This rule establishes a charge for handling samples and specimens submitted for testing to the State Public Health Laboratory and defines those samples or specimens that are not subject to the handling fee.

(1) There shall be a charge of ten dollars (\$10) for each sample or specimen submitted to the State Public Health Laboratory upon which one (1) test or a series of tests are performed, except as otherwise provided in section (2) of this rule.

(2) The following samples or specimens submitted to the State Public Health Laboratory are not subject to the handling fee:

(A) As determined by the director of the Department of Health, samples or specimens that are submitted for testing which is of vital importance to the public health;

(B) Samples or specimens for test which are part of an epidemiologic investigation, study or ongoing Department of Health disease surveillance program;

(C) Samples or specimens submitted by authorized representatives of the Department of Health, local health departments or the federal government;

(D) Samples or specimens submitted as part of a contract or grant of which the Department of Health is a party;

(E) Specimens submitted for metabolic disease screening;

(F) Specimens submitted from other laboratories in Missouri for further testing and confirmation; and

(G) Specimens from patients who are unable to pay the handling fee as certified in writing by their physician.

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**Original authority: 192.005, RSMo 1985, amended 1993 and 192.015 RSMo 1982.*

19 CSR 25-38.020 Laboratory Fee for Tuberculosis Testing

PURPOSE: This rule establishes a fee for testing specimens for tuberculosis that are submitted to the State Public Health Laboratory.

(1) A fee of forty-eight dollars (\$48) shall be charged for each clinical specimen submitted to the State Public Health Laboratory for tuberculosis testing. Clinical specimens include raw sputum samples, gastric lavage samples, urine specimens or pleural, spinal, and joint fluids, other exudates or tissue samples.

(2) The Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) may waive the fee for testing clinical specimens that are submitted from local public health departments or when the director of DHSS determines the specimens are of critical importance for the protection of the public health and safety.

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