Tuberculosis Specimen Referral System (TSRS)

Quick Reference for DTU Laboratory Technicians

User Registration

To register, send an SMS with the keyword **LAB** followed by your DTU code, then your names.

Example:

lab 902-3 kutosi grace

Registering a Specimen

To register a specimen, send the keyword **TSRS** followed by the DTU laboratory registration number.

Example:

tsrs 128/10

Sending Specimens

To report that a specimen has been sent, send the keyword **SEND** followed by the method of specimen transport (**POST**, **ZTLS**, or **OTHER**) followed by one or more tracking tags.

Example:

send post 4c5

Including Notes

To include a note, simply insert **+n** at the end of your SMS then write your note.

Examples:

tsrs 18/10 +n patient is a treatment failure

send other 4c5 +n sent with okello at msf

Looking Up Tracking Tags

In the event that you have registered a specimen using the **TSRS** keyword, but have lost the tracking tag, send the word **PENDING** to see pending tracking tags.

Example:

pending

Voiding a Registered Specimen

To void a registration send **void** followed by one or more tracking tags.

Example:

void 4c5

Moving DTUs

If you move to a different DTU, simply send the same **LAB** SMS that you initially sent to register (see *User Registration*) with the new DTU code.

Unregistering

You can unregister from the SMS system by sending the keyword **UNREGISTER**. If you would like to re-register again, send the **LAB** keyword again (see **User Registration**).

Example:

unregister