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### **Report Available (TAT) – (Once received at MDL)**

1 – 3 days

### **Specimen Retention Time**

7 days

### **Method Description**

- Conventional aerobic bacterial culture technique, screening for presence or absence only of Group A (*Streptococcus pyogenes*).
- Identification methods (when appropriate) may include any of the following: conventional biochemical testing, matrix-assisted laser desorption/ionization time-of-flight (MALDI-TOF) mass spectrometry, and commercial identification panels.

### **Reference Values**

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