



SKIN CULTURES

A **culture** of your skin was taken in the office today. The culture will be sent for **bacterial** and/or **fungus** testing.

Bacterial culture results may be available within a 1-2 week period of time.

Fungal specimens are processed for:

1. **Fungal Smear**: Results may be available within a 1-2 week period of time.
2. **Fungal Culture**: Results will take 4-6 weeks for final results

***A negative or positive fungal smear does not necessarily mean the fungal culture will have the same result. A positive fungal smear can have a negative fungal culture. Likewise, a negative fungal smear can have positive fungal culture.

Your provider will direct your treatment plan according to your **final bacterial and fungal culture results**. This means that your medication regimen may change according to the final results we receive.

You will receive a phone call with the results as they become available, which means you may receive more than one (1) phone call with results.