INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR APPROVAL OF FEE-EXEMPT ZIKA VIRUS TESTING IN WISCONSIN

- History of vaccinations for Yellow fever or Japanese encephalitis
- History of diagnosis of Dengue illness
- Any recent hospitalization
- Dates of symptom onset and specimen collection
- Travel destinations to Zika-affected area(s), including dates of travel
- Recollection of insect bites during travel
- Date of first and last unprotected sexual encounter with a traveler to Zika-affected area(s), including travel destination and dates of travel
- Patient demographics (DOB, sex, address, and phone number)
- Health care provider contact information

WHAT ARE NEXT STEPS IF TESTING IS APPROVED?

A Wisconsin Division of Public Health (DPH) epidemiologist will fax you a copy of the completed fee-exempt submission form. This completed form should accompany the specimens being sent to the WSLH. Note that the approved submission forms are only faxed to providers during regular business hours (Monday through Friday from 7:45 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.).

WHAT IF A PATIENT IS SEEN DURING NON-BUSINESS HOURS?

Specimens can be collected and held refrigerated until the next business day when a DPH epidemiologist is available. For more information, please see the DPH Zika virus website at https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/zika/index.htm.