PEDV – IgA (Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea Virus – IgA) Testing

ABOUT: The PEDV IgA antibody test detects antibodies in mucosal immunity, which play a key role in protecting piglets through colostrum and milk. It is especially useful for evaluating sow immunity before farrowing.

SYMPTOMS: Clinical disease is the same as with PEDV IgG— severe diarrhea, dehydration, and high mortality in piglets, with milder illness in older pigs.

PREVENTION: Maintain strict biosecurity.

GETTING TESTED: The PEDV IgA antibody test assesses protective immunity in sows and gilts, ensuring optimal colostrum antibody levels for newborn piglets. Collect at least 2 ml of blood in a serum collection (clot activator) tube or 1 mL of colostrum, refrigerate, and ship with an ice pack.

PEDV-IgA samples are processed and results reported on Thursday.

