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Social distancing, Tick borne disease and COVID-19: what they have in common

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Program objectives

At the conclusion of this program, participants will be able to:

- Describe the impact COVID-19 has on tick-borne disease, including the impact of social distancing
- Explain the overlapping symptoms and the clinical utilization and algorithms for polymerase chain reaction (PCR) antibody testing to identify tick-borne diseases
- Identify the Lyme disease antibody with reflex to immunoassay (IgG, IgM) test
- Discuss test utilization in conjunction with the updated Centers for Disease Control guidelines for the serological diagnosis of Lyme disease

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