## Laboratories That Will Test Ticks From The General Public

Several laboratories test ticks for pathogens, including *Borrelia burgdorferi*, the pathogen that causes Lyme disease. Some of these are listed below, along with contact information. They may vary widely in price, response time, and proper procedure for mailing. You will be responsible to mail the tick to the lab.

This listing is for your convenience only, and is not comprehensive. Inclusion on this list does not constitute endorsement by NYSDOH or Cattaraugus County Health Department.

In addition, please realize that any laboratory test may result in false positives or false negatives. And a tick testing positive for a particular pathogen <u>does not mean</u> that the individual or animal that was bitten is positive for the disease that pathogen causes. Disease transmission is dependent on many variables, including duration of attachment, species and life stage of tick, and immunological characteristics.

New Jersey Laboratories New Brunswick, NJ 732-249-0148 Lyme Test \$65

IgeneX Palo Alto, CA 415-424-1191 800-832-3200 Lyme Test \$55.00 www.igenex.com

Connecticut Pathology Laboratories Willimantic, CT Lyme Test \$50.00

Imugen Norwood, MA 781-255-0770 800-246-8436 Lyme Test \$75.00 Northeast Infectious Disease Diagnostics East Stroudsburg, PA 570-422-7885 Lyme Test \$50.00

Analytical Services Inc. Williston, VT 800-723-4432 802-878-5138 Lyme Test \$65.00 www.analyticalservices.com