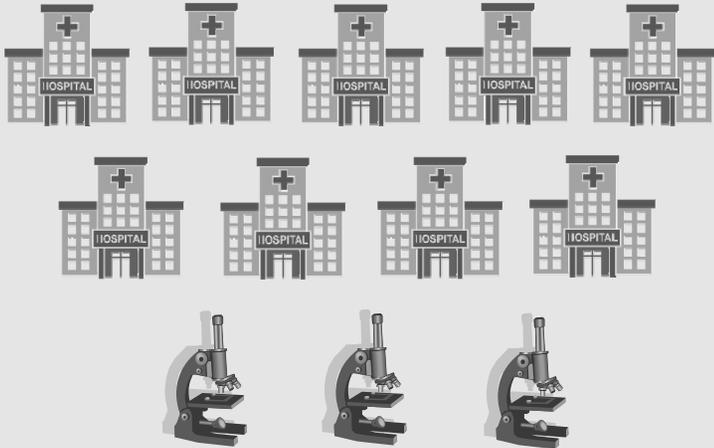
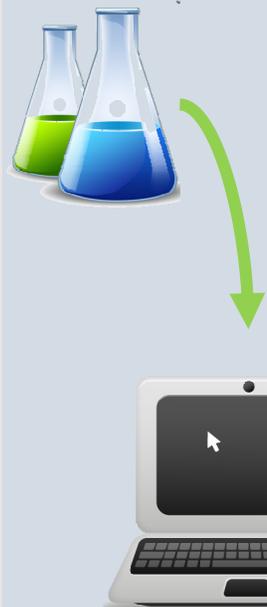


Electronic Laboratory Reporting (ELR) in Montana



9 hospital and **3** reference laboratories
are sending data electronically to DPHHS

Since 2011, the time from specimen collection to receipt of a positive result by public health improved from **5** to **4.3** days



73%
of lab reports
sent to DPHHS
are sent
electronically

What are the benefits of ELR?

- ✓ Automation and standardization of laboratory reporting
- ✓ Improved validity and reliability of information
- ✓ Better case detection and outbreak surveillance
- ✓ Improved timeliness and completeness of reporting
- ✓ Future elimination of paper laboratory reporting