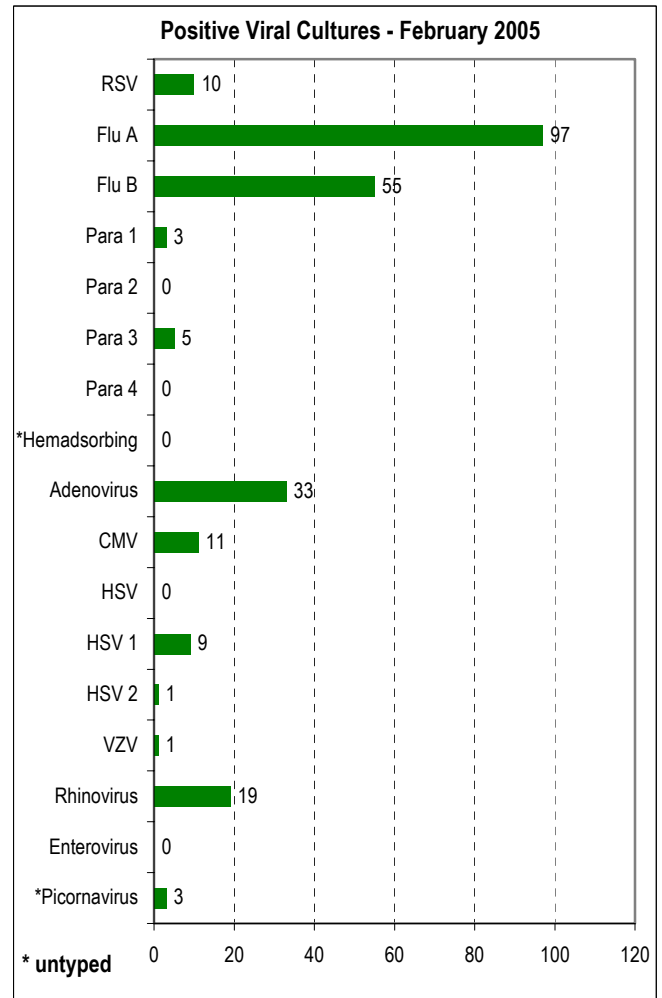
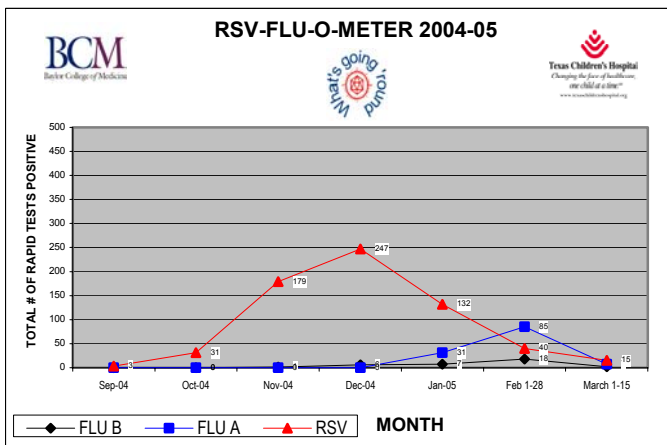




Influenza viruses, both A & B, were the most common viruses isolated in **February**. RSV also circulated, as well as adenovirus, rhinovirus & a small number of parainfluenza viruses. So far, during the **first half of March**, influenza A & B & RSV have declined. Stay tuned to the RSV-FLU-O-METER for the latest updates!  
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### EIA Rapid Test Results – February 2005

	RSV	FLU A	FLU B
<b>Tested</b>	869	912	912
<b>Positive</b>	40	85	18
<b>% Positive</b>	5	9	2

### EIA Rapid Test Results – March 1-15, 2005

	RSV	FLU A	FLU B
<b>Tested</b>	288	291	291
<b>Positive</b>	15	7	2
<b>% Positive</b>	5	2	0

### Viral Cultures – February 2005

	1204	Total Resp.	1002
<b>Total all</b>	1204	Total Resp.	1002
<b>Positive</b>	246	Positive	243
<b>% Positive</b>	20	% Positive	24

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