

## Laboratory Staff Meeting

Location: Laboratory – Core Laboratory

March 22, 2017, 11:20 – 11:45



1. Lithium Heparin Tubes
  - we have a mix of both sodium and lithium heparin tubes now
  - iStat issued a memo that sodium tubes were not compatible with their cartridges
  - The new iStat is being validated with lithium heparin, we want to be ready for the new iStat and so we are now stocking the lithium heparin and the sodium heparin tubes will be phased out as “routine” light green top tubes
  - there are some Dynalife tests \*(cytogenetics) that require sodium heparin and they will be kept separate
    - i. Connie suggests that we order the 5mL sodium heparin so that people can differentiate the two types of tubes.
    - ii. We will look at ordering the taller tubes.
2. Prenatal testing with antibodies
  - Last week there was a client with an unidentified antibody that needed a titre sent out
  - The requisition did not indicate that the client was pregnant and they were also not visibly pregnant
  - Theresa suggests that the physicians be reminded to indicate on the requisition that the client is pregnant
3. Accessioning orders from communities
  - April sent out a memo about the Fort Simpson ordering exceptions t
  - here has been a lot of confusion between old and new practices in entering ordering physician codes vs. NIC codes
  - We are now entering the physician in order entry to the person that is being indicated on the requisition only
  - We are not to CC the community where the blood collection is coming from unless it is specifically indicated on the requisition.
  - If the NIC does not indicate on the requisition, then they will not get a copy.
  - Follow what is on the requisition!
  - Medipatient as per current practice
4. Long John Jamboree
  - We are operating as a continuous service
  - We will have LOP open at the hospital. YPCC will not be open.
  - All lab staff report to work on Friday. You will be at 1.5 hours for the afternoon hours between 1-5pm. OT3 will be used in addition to your 7.5 REG hours worked.
  - YPCC staff will be working at Stanton while YPCC is closed.
5. Jen will be away Thurs and Fri this week. Cynthia will be available for Managerial issues and Jen will be reachable by phone if need be.
6. Moses – LPN as ordering physician on FRAM lake requisitions – Jen requests copies of these requisitions as examples so she can follow up with Manager of FRAM

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