***Hematology Lab Meeting.***

**4/15/2021 @ 9:00 am**

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| *Present:* | ***John Errico*** |

Announcement:

We would like to recognize our Special Coag team especially Parveen who went above and beyond to provide service for a patient by coming in on the weekend to do a Factor IX. And also we recognize Erin for surviving the night shift. Thank you covering the vacancy.

Communication with your coworkers is key. If you are leaving your bench or leaving for the day, you should communicate with your coworkers regarding what is going on, etc. In other words, a proper hand off should take place. If you can’t communicate to anyone, consult with the covering supervisor.

When retrieving samples from the OBS, don't cherry pick. Take the whole rack out and replace with an empty one. The machine doesn't recognize if something has been removed.

When we get Bone marrows from the John Hopkins study ( requisition should accompany the sample), there should be a green and lavender top tubes. Ideally we should make our BM smears with the lavender tube. If they don’t send a lavender tube, use the green tube for smears. And afterwards, send the green tube and paperwork to Reference.

National Lab week is April 19- April 23. We are looking for some fun ideas to do around the lab... no racing of chairs around the lab lol. We can dress up and or decorate as long it doesn't hurt anyone or damage the work area. John and Parveen will be bringing some treats and we will have some fun activities to do. Note: The Lab Week schedule is posted for scheduled events.

We will be doing a validation for a premade a Micro Method Coag tubes.  We will be needing your assistance with blood draw and blood donation and you be compensated for your time. With $2 bills.

We also will need volunteers for platelet aggregation normal donors when we have an abnormal patient. Please consider donating.

 Parveen has been working on a new competency quiz for Routine Coag. Going forward, we will be creating written quizzes or tests for competency to attempt to decrease the time it takes to complete everyone’s competency in all areas.

We have our last student of the year starting Monday, April 19. She is a UVM student who we will only have for 3 weeks. If you are working with the student, remember to refer to Claire’s notebooks in all areas of the lab so we cover all points that they will need to know for their ASCP exam.

FYI: The cleaning crew will start cleaning out the fridges on the last Friday of each month.