***Hematology Lab Meeting.***

**5/06/2021 @ 9:00 am**

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

Announcement:

The covid19 vaccine is now mandatory at the hospital as of Monday 19th. August 1st is the deadline for health and religious exemptions. If you got your vaccine from another location, you need to upload your vaccine card. An email was sent out on how to do this. Deadline for getting the 1st dose is August 31st and 2nd does is Sept. 30.

Mask will remain in some capacity for the hospital for the foreseeable future.

 The review rating system is being updated with up to a 5 level scale. The reviews will not be linked to the merit increases. More Info to follow.

 There is a critical shortage of blood throughout the country. A list of scheduled Blood drives are posted. If you can donate please do so and pass the word around, we need to make that people aware of the shortage.

There are changes for parasite reporting. It’s now 1 decimal place no longer rounding to a whole #. When you put out the number it will automatically remind you of the one place decimal #. Less than 1 will still be reported as < 1.0%.

 Change in parasite workflow- Don’t print CBC printout. Only print out a label and 2 techs review slides as usual. If it is positive, then print out CBC results and order a BSINT.

For the Flint and CSF interpretation, going forward make a second slide for teaching. Save in a box. We will coverslip and begin building a teaching library of slides.

In many of our daily patients, we are reviewing for blast flag accompanied by IG, at lymphs, etc. if there is a previous consistent diff, then we can remove the NEUT and just scan for the blasts. This will expedite those we can do on Cellavision by just scanning.

 When opening up new reagents ( ie. Calcium chloride for TEG, make sure you are dating when it was opened and when it expires.

 Please complete the EPIC upgrade training through MTS. Read and Sign off.

EPIC upgrade is Sunday, August15.

Make sure you are working on your continued education and all of your mandatory training in LMS. Remember a total of 12 CEUs are required.