**Weekly Updates**

**November 29, 2012**

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| Test | Description of Change(s) | Affected Individuals |
| Critical Values | Please use this format always:  **Critical value called to and read back by A, B in C at D by E.**  Where the letters equal:  A: provider or RN name  B: credentials i.e. MD, RN, PharmD, etc  C: department i.e. medical, dental, pharmacy, etc  D: time and date in XX/XX/XX XX:XX  E: tech initials  Denelle and Sherry will be following up with techs if there is a deviation from this format. | All Staff |
| Influenza by Sofia | We are performing patient testing as of 11.27.12.   * Minitipped flocked swabs are stored in the lab and medical personnel will come to the window for supplies as needed. * No Back-up cultures are being performed. * All specimens are being sent to HCMC after rapid testing is complete for research purposes. Make sure the specimen is labeled with a Cerner peon label. Then bring to sendouts and put in a specimen bag labeled “Influenza samples – HCMC micro” * Resulting directions are found on the clipboard.   SEE LINK FOR PROCEDURE WITH UPDATES | Bench Techs |
| Cerner Changes | All tests have a new result field: Performed at: NorthPoint. The result autofills. Only verify the Performed at NorthPoint for the result(s) you have performed/entered. See Denelle if you have questions. | All Staff |
| Micro Supply Center | There is a Micro specimen collection guide now located adjacent to the supply center at the end of the T1 bench. This describes the type of container to use for the majority of micro testing. There is also a technique/source description for tests. This is a resource to be used to standardize our micro collection processes. | All Staff |
| RSV – age change | The appropriate age for RSV testing is  5 years of age or less.  (The procedure has been corrected to reflect this as of 11/28/12) | All Staff |
| RSV Testing | We are now performing RSV testing as of 11/27/12. The resulting directions are on the RSV clipboard. | Bench Techs |
| Front Desk “Post-Its” | FYI: These are stored under the Afinion A1C instruments at the back of the cupboard. | All Staff |
| Manual Bench | Things on this bench have been moved:   * Clipboards are stacked behind the Ace Alera * 1 drawer is for testing supplies – gauze, 20μL pipette, 2mL pipette & tips * The other drawer is Sofia supplies * The cabinets below have been consolidated as well. | All Staff |
| New adjustable Pipette | We finally have a new adjustable pipette from 100μL to 1000μL. ☺ It will be stored on the manual bench. Tips are located in the drawer below the manual bench. | All Staff |
| Weekly Comparison | The Procedure for this has changed slightly. Follow the directions on the worksheet. | All Staff |

**Procedure Additions, Updates and Changes:**

* [**Micro Specimen Collection Details**](file:///\\yonkers\pchcteam\Lab\Procedure%20Manual\Micro%20specimen%20collection%20details%20V2.docx)
* [**Sofia Influenza A & B Procedure**](file:///\\yonkers\pchcteam\Lab\Procedure%20Manual\Sofia%20Influenza%20A%20and%20B.docx)
* [**RSV Procedure**](file:///\\yonkers\pchcteam\Lab\Procedure%20Manual\RSV.docx)