**Weekly Updates**

**January 10, 2013**

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| Test | Description of Change(s) | Affected Individuals |
| 3 Hour Glucose Tolerances  Changes | We have made changes to the 3 hour GTT worksheet to reflect Michelle’s office moving downstairs. Please make abnormal patients wait. Michelle wants to work with these patients immediately, whenever possible. The text below is the change on the worksheet:  **IF Abnormal 🡺 RETAIN THE PATIENT** **Call Michelle Kimber at 543-2641 immediately. If no answer, leave a message and continue to hold the patient, while waiting to hear from Michelle.** If Michelle is off (indicated gone on DR schedule) then contact these people in order: Nancy Chihak to Dia Xiong to Team Leads Coleen McConnell or Kim Alston. | All Staff |
| ACR Procedure | Updated procedure for error code 107. See page 8. | All Staff |
| A1C | If you have to send an A1C to HCMC for testing – you would transfer the test to the Variant II. The instructions for transferring NPH performed tests to HCMC have been updated to reflect the changes. | All Staff |
| Hemoccult Worksheet | The worksheet for Hemoccults has changed. The Lot # for the cartridge needs to be filled in for each patient result. | All Staff |
| Lipid Panel Changes | HCMC changed how lipids are resulted in Cerner. Please follow the new result flow charts. Ask Denelle if you have questions. The new flow chart is posted in chemistry and a link is attached below. | Chem Techs |
| MA Intern | Please welcome **Kierra Madden**. On Monday January 14 she will start a 3 ½ week internship. She will be drawing patients and working with the front staff. | All Staff |
| Direct Bilirubins | **DO NOT RESULT Dbilis ≥0.4** and the associated Tbili. Instead transfer these tests to HCMC for testing. | All Staff |
| Flu Antigen Testing | FYI: Due to the widespread nature of the flu virus this year, Quidel (the manufacturer of our flu tests) has been suffering nationwide shortages of the test kits. This was communicated to our providers. They have been instructed to only order the flu antigen test if the outcome will change their treatment of the patient. As a result, we are performing less flu testing. At this moment, we have plenty of flu tests, but we are trying to be cognizant of the flu test shortage and use our tests accordingly. | All Staff |

**Procedure Additions, Updates and Changes:**

* [**ACR by Afinion**](file:///\\yonkers\pchcteam\Lab\Procedure%20Manual\ACR%20by%20Afinion.docx)
* [**Lipid Result Flow Chart**](file:///\\yonkers\pchcteam\Lab\Procedures,%20Current\Patient%20Testing\Chemistry\LDL%20flow%20sheet%20update%2001092013.docx)
* [**Transferring Tests to HCMC**](file:///\\yonkers\pchcteam\Lab\Sherry's%20H%20drive%20folder\Cerner\TRANSFERRING%20NPH%20PERFORMED%20TESTS%20TO%20HCMC.doc)