**Weekly Updates**

**June 20, 2013**

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| Test | Description of Change(s) | Affected Individuals |
| Blood in regular trash | Please be aware that excessive blood/bloody items should typically be disposed of in biohazardous waste. | All Staff |
| Updated Directions | I have updated the directions for transferring select details. It is in the Cerner book. Please familiarize yourself with the changes… especially step 2. | All Staff |
| Test Changes | Troponin has changed.  New test code: cTNI  Preferred Specimen Type: EDTA  Secondary Specimen Type: Li Heparin  Processing: None, send as whole blood. | All Staff |
| zzHIVAB/ HIV Combo | This is a changing test from HCMC. The zzHIVAB can be drawn and processed in the same manner as previous, until HCMC runs out of reagent. This order code happens for all orders placed prior to the EPIC order code change on 6.17.2013. New orders will be HIV Combo.  The new HIV test is  EPIC Name: HIV Combo (Lab0001418)  Cerner: HIV Combo  Preferred Specimen: SST  Secondary Specimen Type: Li Hep with separator, Na Heparin, EDTA (for add-ons) | All Staff |
| Current EPIC Orders For HIV | The providers need to order HIV Combo (as of 6/17/2013). If they have placed an order for HIV ½ Aby after 6/17/2013 it WILL NOT cross to Cerner. Please cancel and reorder HIV Combo in EPIC. |  |
| Billie Process | We are now testing using the Billie. Until we have sufficient correlation data, we will be performing all neonatal Total bilirubins using Billie, **but not actually resulting them**. We will give the providers a verbal preliminary result and then send the specimen to HCMC for actual testing and resulting. | All Staff |
| Hilina | Hilina will be off until September due a family illness. She is returning to Ethiopia. | All Staff |
| Ellie the ESR-Auto Plus | We will be going live with Ellie the ESR-Auto Plus on July 8th. What this means to you?  Phleb- draw ESR Vacuum Tube and mix well. Label appropriately  Techs – run QC with each day of patient testing. Set up patient and result accordingly.  The procedure is written, soon to be followed by a technical checklist. Techs will need to complete the checklist which serves as training. | All Staff |
| New Student | **Tiffanie Kim** will start on July 1. She will be here until Aug 30. We expect her to work as follows:  FDC/Phleb – 2 weeks  Chem – 2 weeks (including startup)  UA – 2 weeks  Heme – 2 weeks  Sendouts – 1 week | All Staff |
| Heme Barcodes | The Sysmex can’t read the barcode if it is too low… Please place the barcode vertically close to the tube cap. | All Staff |

**Procedure Additions, Updates and Changes:**

* [Transferring Select Test Details to HCMC](file:///\\yonkers\pchcteam\Lab\Procedures,%20Current\Cerner%20Protocols\Transferring%20Select%20Test%20Details%20to%20HCMC.docx)