

Weekly Updates

April 25, 2014

Test	Description of Changes	Affected Individuals
Budgeting	<p>What are your lab needs and wants for 2015? Please share with Sherry and Denelle so we may include in the 2015 budget.</p>	All Staff
3 hour GTT Failures	<p>They should go to the following people in descending order of priority:</p> <p>1st { Nancy Chihak, Triage RN Stephanie Sweezy, Triage RN Bindia Sachdev, Triage RN }</p> <p>2nd { Coleen McConnell, RN -- TEAM LEAD Kim Alston, RN – TEAM LEAD }</p> <p>3rd { Michelle Kimber, Diabetic RN }</p> <p>Occasionally, it may be necessary to let the patient go without seeing one of the above individuals. This would be the likely scenario on Saturdays. Check with the patient for the best number and/or method to contact them. Advise the patient, that a nurse will be calling them about their results and the necessary follow-up. They will need to return to the clinic for this follow-up.</p> <p>When this happens, we will send an EPIC message to Michelle Kimber about the patient and their failure status and the pertinent contact information.</p>	All Staff

	<i>This information is posted in sendouts and at the front desk for reference.</i>	
Clarification Appropriate ACE Rgt Disposal	All bottles except those deemed hazardous, should be emptied and then either recycled or disposed of in regular waste. The hazardous bottles are: Creat – Picric Acid and Total Protein.	All Staff
Resulting UA's	In an effort to provide timely standardized results: 1) Please enter the dipstick result in Cerner ASAP for positive urines 2) Enter the micro once it is completed 3) Standardizing our process, will make it easier for our providers	All Staff
Newborn Screens	Please enter the following on the test card: Last Name First Name DOB Time of birth Specimen collection date/time Leave performing lab blank. All other information is preferred but NOT required.	All Staff
HCVAB	We can discontinue drawing the extra SST tube with these orders. The need for more serum happens rarely, so we will no longer draw an extra tube. On the rare occasion, where more serum is needed for the reflex testing, then we will have to call the patient to return to clinic, if there was not enough for testing.	All Staff
Data Security Training	Hennepin County will be offering security training that is required for all regular (permanent) full-time and part-time benefit earning employees. The training will take approximately 30-45 minutes to complete and will be available through the APEX learning center <i>beginning May 12</i> . Employees must complete the training no later than June 20. Employees who have not successfully completed training by	All Staff

	<p>June 20 will have their network access suspended. Please communicate this clearly to your staff.</p> <p>-See Attached Flyer</p> <p>We will remind you again once this training is available in APEX.</p>	
Lab Library	<p>We have started a library. It is in the lab office above the filing cabinets. You are encouraged to bring in any books you would like to donate/share. We encourage you to read during downtime rather than surfing the internet.</p>	All Staff
Label Printer	<p>Label printer BC97 went Kaputt. We are working on the replacement. For now, all staff will need to use BC27.</p>	All Staff

Procedure Additions, Updates and Changes:

- [Data Security Flyer](#)