**Chemistry Update, 12/21/2021**

**A quick update for all Chemistry Team members:**

**Hospital News:**

Be sure to read the Einstein Weekly News Roundup for all the latest in hospital news and Get Your Flu Shot!! There is a schedule posted on my door.

**Chemistry Updates and Reminders:**

1. Techs, please put the morning specimens on the instruments as soon as possible. With CP staffing being what it is, the specimens are coming down late – we must do the best we can on our end to improve the TAT for morning specimens.
2. PLEASE DO NOT REPLACE THE SALINE USED FOR ON-BOARD DILUTIONS on EITHER INSTRUMENT – see email sent 11/1/2021 for a complete explanation.
3. Please do not forget to log re-draws. Much better in November than October!
4. Please be very careful registering patients from Avenues Recovery at Valley Forge (new name). We had a patient entered incorrectly – once finished, you **cannot** change the information. Please tell me the MRN and I will see about getting it deleted. Just start over with the patient and make a correct registration.

Also, check your names - we had a Daniel incorrectly created when Darnell

already existed in the system. I put in a request to have the

records merged.

1. Techs, please ALWAYS allow fluids to download automatically. What we have learned is that when they are not, then critical values from serum specimens will appear in IM.
2. Please check the Yellow book and in the drawer at the desk to find clear instructions on how to fax by FIN rather than one accession number at a time.
3. Please take a minute when you get a fluid specimen to be sure there are no cytology orders on the specimen. We need lots of “safety nets” bcz they are being missed on a regular basis!!!

**OLD INFO THAT IS STILL RELEVANT!!:**

1. WE HAVE NO ABBOTT SERVICE CONTRACT. IT MAY BE SIGNED after 1/1/2022

IF WE NEED ABBOTT SERVICE, PLEASE CALL TRIMEDEX AT 800-272-3553 To place a work order. They will issue a PO# to use.  PO’s are to be used for services pertaining to one service call and cannot be used for multiple calls. Put the PO# in the communication log. This must even be done to call Tech support for verbal assistance.

1. Please don’t forget that there are Medtraining events to follow up on. If you are not familiar with how to respond to Medtraining, please ask! Thank you!