**HEMATOLOGY
MINUTES**

**FEBRUARY**

DATE: 2/21/2023

PRESENT:

 **Day Shift**: Louise, Dan, Virginia, Isamar, VJ

 **Evening Shift**: Sharon, Kwame, Donna, Duc

1. **Employee Engagement:** : Only received a few responses back. The common theme was communication.
* More face-to-face communication
* Stay committed to the monthly meetings.
1. **IT Requests (IRMA’s)**
2. Coag QC to be interfaced with Beaker. This will allow for a more efficient way to manage the QC.
3. FSINT/CSINT: Fluid MD and CSF MD interps: Add a radio button in the differential section of fluids/CSF to add MD interpretations, similar to the way we currently add fluid counts and differentials to the fluids.
4. Hemoglobin Electrophoresis: Electrophoresis is being sent to Yale (started 2/17/2023). The request is to re-direct HBSC to a Yale number.
5. Request for a Zebra Label printer: will be interfaced with Beaker so that we can print out labels for our Fluid and Manual slides.
6. **New Instrumentation:**
7. Teg 6: Purchase of 2 TEG 6 instruments for BH has been approved. Unsure of timeline.
8. Hematology Analyzers: New Sysmex analyzers for all of YNHHS have been approved. BH is supposed to get the XN9000, similar to what we have now but with some added capabilities. Timeline to be determined, probably sometime in 2024.
9. Trinity Premier: We are investigating the possibility of getting a second Trinity premier. We are currently performing about 3000 A1C’s a month. More to come…
10. **Things to know…**
11. Manual smears and Fluid slides: Slides must be labeled with indelible ink. Do not use pencil.
12. Cancelling versus Redraw: Do not cancel a test order (i.e. duplicate) unless you get verification from the nurse or doctor. Sending a specimen for a redraw does not cancel the order so doing that is fine. We have had a few instances where a test was cancelled as duplicate, but the physicians needed the results due to discrepancies or deterioration of the patient’s condition.
13. Add on’s: If you click on a specimen in the ADD-ON bucket, please complete the add-on. If you don’t complete the add on and leave the page then the ADD-ON notification on the top right of the beaker screen will not be there, which could result in a missed add-on.
14. Fluid results and other manual entered results: Starting in March, instrument printouts that are used to manually enter results will be scanned into the patient’s chart. This includes Fluid results, manually entered Coag, cbc and Urine results. The day shift Miscellaneous person will be assigned to scan the documents to the chart.
15. DPH: CT DPH will be coming sometime in the next few months to inspect the lab.
16. Secret PPE Shopper: The safety committee has implemented a “Secret PPE Shopper” program. An employee will be assigned to secretly go through departments and assess PPE compliance(gowns/lab coats are worn properly, masks are worn properly, and gloves are on) and that personal electronic devices (phones, earbuds, texting on watches and other electronics) are not being used at the bench. The results will be shared monthly VIA the huddle notes.
17. Lab Coat Pilot Program: We are currently trying to work out laundry issues. The lab coats are not being picked up or returned on the schedule we were given.
18. All HGBSC specimens are being saved in the refrigerator in the Send-out area. There is a purple rack on the inside door of the fridge. Please put the specimens in the rack.

 

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 Emma and Duc

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