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To: Allina Health Laboratory outreach clients

From: Allina Health Laboratory outreach services

Date: April 17, 2024

Re: Test changes

New orderable test codes

Effective immediately, new order codes for Mycoplasma genitalium are available for urine (LAB15255) and genital swab (LAB15254) specimens.

Effective immediately, LAB15226, Parvovirus B19 PCR, Amniotic Fluid is available to order. This test is intended to be used as an aid in the diagnosis of infections caused by Parvovirus B19.

Effective immediately, LAB15225, Herpes simplex virus (HSV) types 1/2, Amniotic Fluid, DNA PCR is available to order. This test is intended for use as an aid to the diagnosis of *Herpes simplex virus* (HSV) infections; also differentiates HSV-1 from HSV-2.

Effective immediately, LAB14545, Cystic Fibrosis (CF) Full-gene Carrier Screen orderable code built. No longer need to order as an MSO. Sample requirements stay the same, but new TAT is 14-21 days.

HIV Viral Load Test Change

Quick Reference:

Effective April 23, 2024, HIV Viral Load testing will be sent to LabCorp for testing. The new order is HIV-1 RNA, REAL TIME PCR (NON-GRAPH) (LAB14707). The Allina test, HIV RNA quant – Taqman, LAB7867 [87536.3] will no longer be orderable.

Details:

HIV Viral Load testing will no longer be performed at the Allina Health Laboratory due to the discontinuation of the testing platform by the manufacturer. Samples will be sent to LabCorp for testing (LC # 550430).

New Test: HIV-1 RNA, REAL TIME PCR (NON-GRAPH) (LAB14707)

- Re-baseline testing should not be necessary
- TAT remains 7 days from time of receipt
- There is a change in specimen processing requirements
 - 2 mL tubes no longer accepted.

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Hepatitis C Virus RT-PCR Test Change

Quick Reference:

As of April 23, 2024, HCV Viral Load testing will be sent to a reference laboratory for testing. The new order is HCV RT-PCR, QUANT (NON-GRAPH) (LAB14723). The Allina test, Hepatitis C virus RT-PCR viral load, LAB2242 [87522.2], will no longer be orderable.

Details:

HCV Viral Load testing will no longer be performed at the Allina Health Laboratory due to the discontinuation of the testing platform by the manufacturer. Samples will be sent to LabCorp for testing (LC # 550080).

New Test Order: HCV RT-PCR, QUANT (NON-GRAPH) [LAB14723]

- Re-baseline testing should not be necessary.
- TAT remains 7 days from time of receipt.
- There is a change in specimen processing requirements.

Specimen requirement changes have also been made to the following tests to accommodate potential reflex HCV RT-PCR, QUANT testing:

- Hepatitis C Antibody w/ Reflex [86803.2]
- BBF Exposure Hold
- Exposure (BBF) ANTI HCV AHL
- Employee ANTI HCV AHL

Please refer to the Allina Health test catalog for specimen collection and processing instructions.