NOTICE OF NEW SERVICE

DATE: March 5, 2007

TO: Housestaff and PCN Physicians, Faculty, and Nursing Personnel

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RE: TRIIODOTHYRONINE (T3), FREE

Effective March 12, 2007, the Triiodothyronine, Free (FT3) test will be performed in the Clinical Laboratory, Special Chemistry. Triiodothyronine, Free testing was previously sent to an outside Reference Laboratory and now will be available at UCDHS. The testing is performed on the Bayer Centaur instrument and is a chemiluminescent immunoassay method.

- **Sample Requirement:** One full 5 or 7 mL Serum Separator (gold) or Serum (red) tube
- **Routine Testing:** Performed Tuesday, and Thursday
- **Reference Interval:** 2.3 – 4.2 pg/mL
  Note: The method has not been validated for neonatal samples (<1 month old). These requests will be sent out.

If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Omand, supervisor (734-3049) or Special Chemistry (734-0283).

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