NOTICE OF CHANGE OF SERVICE

DATE: July 23, 2007

TO: House Staff Physicians, Faculty, Nursing Personnel, Primary Care Network Physicians and Nurses

FROM: Jeff Gregg, M.D., Director, Molecular Pathology Laboratory

RE: Ordering Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Testing in EMR

The Molecular Pathology Laboratory is changing ordering procedures for Human Papillomavirus (HPV) testing in EMR. This change does not apply to reflex HPV tests performed following Pap test results of Atypical Squamous Cells of Undetermined Significance (ASCUS)

Effective July 23, 2007, HPV tests for non-reflex indications must be ordered separately from cytology PAP testing. Prior to this change, HPV ordering was accomplished by answering order questions for HPV on the Cytology PAP requisition. Questions pertaining to HPV testing have now been removed from the cytology requisition since HPV testing is not performed in the Cytology Laboratory.

To order non-reflex HPV testing in EMR select:

Test name: Human Papillomavirus
EMR number: PTHML00011

Please include a printed copy of the order for HPV testing with the Cytology Pap Requisition when requesting HPV testing off the Sure Path vial for screening purposes. The Cytology Laboratory will forward the printed HPV requisition to the Molecular Pathology Laboratory with the cell pellet once the PAP has been processed.

HPV results will be available within 14 days of specimen receipt from Cytology.

Additional questions should be directed to the Molecular lab at 734-1670.

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