

## **NOTICE OF CHANGE OF SERVICE**

DATE: September 22, 2009  
TO: Housestaff and PCN Physicians, Faculty, and Nursing Personnel  
FROM: Jeff Gregg, MD  
Director, Molecular Pathology  
RE: CMV QUANTITATIVE, BLOOD (EPIC order LABP000182)

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Effective September 22, 2009 CMV QUANTITATIVE, BLOOD PCR testing will be performed in the Molecular Laboratory using the Qiagen *artus* CMV LC PCR ASR test. The test is currently being sent out. The limit of detection for this assay is 250 copies/mL.

Sample Requirement: One full whole blood 4 mL EDTA (purple top) tube

Lab sample Processing: Centrifuge, aliquot plasma and freeze within 6 hours of collection. DO NOT freeze primary collection tubes.  
Minimum: 0.5 mL frozen plasma

Reference Interval: <250 copies/mL (Below the limit of detection of the assay)

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Sandra Hatcher at (916) 734-1673 or the molecular staff at (916) 734-1670.

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