CHANGE OF SERVICE MEMO

DATE: May 19, 2010

TO: House staff and PCN Physicians, Faculty and Nursing Personnel

FROM: Jeff Gregg, MD (Director, Molecular Pathology)
       Christopher Polage, MD (Director, Microbiology)

RE: Change in Test Performance of Respiratory Viral Panel by RT-PCR
    (EPIC order LABP000185)

Effective June 1, 2010, Respiratory Viral Panel (RVP) testing by RT-PCR will no longer be offered daily. This change corresponds to decreased specimen volume correlating with the end of the flu season. Testing will be performed on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Results will be available the same day as testing.

Daily testing will resume when indicated to correlate with the flu season (November through April).

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

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