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MEMORANDUM

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Subject: **Plasma Hemoglobin Collections**

As of March 1, 2013 the Hematology laboratory will begin using a new method for the quantification of plasma hemoglobin.

The blood collection requirements will change to one (1) green-topped lithium heparin container. Specimens collected in sodium citrate (light blue) will **not** be accepted.

The upper limit of a normal result will change to < 30 mg/dL.

Please contact Gail MacLennan at 473-5637 or Dr Shawwa at 473-6663 if you have any questions or concerns about this matter.

Thank you for your attention.

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