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MEMORANDUM #120

TO: UNC Hospitals Attending Physicians, Housestaff, Nursing Coordinators,
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SUBJECT: Discontinuation of Phosphatidylglycerol (PG) AminoStat

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Effective 12/31/2014, the Core Laboratory will no longer offer testing for **Phosphatidylglycerol (PG)**. The test is used currently in the assessment of fetal lung maturity.

Irving Scientific, the manufacturer and supplier the AmnioStat-FLM® PG Kit, announced they were ceasing production due to declining demand. There is no alternate supplier, which means this testing will not be available through Referral Testing.

We recommend the use of our **Lamellar Body Count (LB)** assay which is available 24/7 through the Core Laboratory. Test ID: LB; Epic order: Lamellar Body Counts; CPT code: 83664.

For further questions, please call the Core Laboratory 919-966-2361.