



**MEMORANDUM #146**

**TO:** UNC Hospitals Attending Physicians and Faculty Practice Physicians, Housestaff, Clinical Nurse Coordinators, Department Heads and Supervisors

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**DATE:** September 19, 2018

**SUBJECT:** **Change in Critical Result Threshold for Platelet Counts at UNCMC**

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After discussions with clinicians in Malignant/Benign Hematology and Pediatric Hematology/Oncology, we will be changing the Critical Result Threshold for Platelet Counts at UNC Medical Center McLendon Clinical Laboratories from  $<20 \times 10^9/L$  to  $<10 \times 10^9/L$ . This change will be effective on or about September 24, 2018 for the lab's workflow of calling of Critical Results, but due to the Epic Go Lives at Nash and Wayne, it may take longer for these results to not show as critical in Epic.

Please contact Drs. [Mathews](#) (4-8320) and/or [Whinna](#) (4-1500) with any questions.