



MEMORANDUM #135

TO: UNCHCS Attending Physicians, Housestaff, Nursing Coordinators, Department Heads and Supervisors

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DATE: May 19, 2017

SUBJECT: Change in Reportable Range for CA 27.29 (Cancer Antigen 27.29)

The McLendon Laboratories Referral Testing Services have been notified by Mayo Medical Laboratories that effective May 14, 2017, the highest reportable value for CA 27.29 changed to 450 U/mL. This change is due to notification from the assay manufacturer that the diluent required to extend the reportable range is no longer available. Results greater than 450 U/mL will be reported as >450 U/mL.

Mayo Medical Laboratories has advised its clients to consider utilizing Cancer Antigen 15-3 (CA 15-3), Serum (Test ID: CA153) as an alternate tumor marker for re-baselining and subsequent monitoring of patients, if needed.

OLD REPORTABLE RANGE

12 – 9,000 U/mL

NEW REPORTABLE RANGE

12 – 450 U/mL

Please contact Marsha Owens in Referral Testing at 984-974-1414 or Dr. Herbert Whinna at 984-974-1503 if you have any questions.