Memorandum – Anatomic Path #20

To: UNC Medical Center Attending Physicians, Faculty Practice Physicians, Housestaff, Clinical Nurse Coordinators, Department Heads and Supervisors

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Subject: **Change in Add-On Testing for Pathology orders**

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Please be advised of an important change in how **Add-On orders** must be handled:

- **Add-On orders can no longer be placed on Consult or in-process cases.**
- For cases such as **MLSC / MLNC / MLHC** (if tissue is available), or **any case pending sign-out**, **clinicians must reach out directly to request additional testing**.

Important Workflow Note:

- While the orderable still allows clinicians to manually enter a case number and appears in the patient chart, **it will not route to the performing department**.
- Clinicians must **select 'Existing Case'** during order entry.
    - Leaving the default selection as **'New Collection'** will create a **new specimen in a 'Needs to be collected' status**, which is **not associated with the intended case**.
    - These orders **will not appear** on any performing lab's outstanding worklist and may go unprocessed.

Action Needed:
Please ensure all relevant clinical staff are informed of this change and adjust ordering practices accordingly.

Questions?
Contact **Tim Collins** at timothy.collins@unchealth.unc.edu.
Thank you for your attention to this update and your continued cooperation.