Memorandum: Referral Testing #1

To: UNC Medical Center Attending Physicians, Housestaff, Nursing Coordinators,Department Heads and Supervisors

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Subject: **Temporary unavailability of the NK Cell Function Assay provided by Cincinnati Children's CBDI Clinical Laboratories**

Due to the temporary unavailability of the NK Cell Function Assay provided by Cincinnati Children's CBDI Clinical Laboratories.

- **NK Cell Function Assay Unavailability**
  - The assay (UNC Order NK FUNCTION REFERRAL [LAB8015]) will not be available starting on 10/20/25.
  - Anticipated resolution is by December 2025, with notification upon readiness to accept samples.
- **Alternative Testing Recommendations:**
  - PERFORIN/GRANZYME B [LAB5903]
  - CD107A MOBILIZATION [LAB5399]
- **Additional Recommendations for Male Patients:**
  - XLP (SAP & XIAP) EXPRESSION [LAB5749]

To avoid test cancellations, please adjust ordering protocols accordingly until further notice.

With questions, please contact Referral Testing Services Reftest@unchealth.unc.edu 984-974-1414