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Memo

To: Submitters of Clinical Specimens to the North Carolina State Laboratory of Public Health

From: Scott M. Shone, Ph.D., HCLD (ABB) – Laboratory Director 

Date: June 24, 2024

Re: HIV Testing for Patients ≤ 2 Years of Age

Effective immediately, the North Carolina State Laboratory of Public Health (NCSLPH) will begin sending clinical specimens from patients ≤ 2 years of age who require Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) testing to LabCorp. LabCorp results will be attached to NCSLPH reports in the [NCSLPH Clinical and Environmental Lab Results \(CELR\) online portal](#) and included in paper results sent via the State courier. This NCSLPH-provided testing will be for HIV RNA NAAT only. Additional testing may be required based on individual patient clinical information to ensure appropriate case management. Recommendations for testing of infants can be found [here](#).

There will be no change to specimen collection or submission procedures related to this testing change. Submitters should continue submitting specimens with the [HIV/HCV Testing Requisition Form, DHHS 1111](#). Additional information about submission criteria and shipping can be found in the [NCSLPH SCOPE Guide to Laboratory Services](#). Submitters may notice minor formatting changes and updated comments on results reports and we appreciate your patience during this transition.

Please contact Rebecca Pelc, Ph.D., Virology/Serology Manager, at 919-807-8868 or rebecca.pelc@dhhs.nc.gov with any questions or concerns about this change

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