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D-Dimer Test Update for Clients Using Oakview and Bellevue Medical Center Laboratories

Dear Regional Pathology Services Clients,

On Wednesday, February 26th the Nebraska Medicine Laboratories at Nebraska Medicine Bellevue and Oakview will be moving to the high-sensitivity D-Dimer assay currently employed by the Core Laboratory at Nebraska Medicine. This change involves **switching from D-DU (D-Dimer Units) to FEU (fibrin equivalent units)** so that D-Dimer assays will be standardized across Nebraska Medicine Laboratories. **FEU values will be approximately 2-fold higher than the current D-DU values** and this will be reflected in the flagged high values as well.

D-Dimer Assay	Reportable Range	Flagged High
Current D-DU Assay (Test Code: DDIM)	200-5250 ng/mL	≥ 230 ng/mL
New FEU Assay (Test code: DIMER)	215-128000 ng/mL	≥ 500 ng/mL

Interfaced clients will need to delete the old test code DDIM and replace it with the new test code DIMER if they use any of these laboratories.

Old code (please delete):

<u>OrderCode</u>	<u>OrderName</u>	<u>ResultCode</u>	<u>ResultName</u>	<u>ResultUnits</u>	<u>LOINC</u>	<u>CPT</u>
DDIM	D-DIMER (OAKVIEW/BELLEVUE LOCATIONS ONLY)	DDIM	D-DIMER	ng/mL D-DU	48065-7	85379

New Order and result codes:

<u>OrderCode</u>	<u>OrderName</u>	<u>ResultCode</u>	<u>ResultName</u>	<u>ResultUnits</u>	<u>LOINC</u>	<u>CPT</u>
DIMER	D-DIMER	DIMER	D-DIMER	ng/mL FEU	48065-7	85379

If you have any questions or issues with these changes please contact client services at 402-559-6420 and ask to speak with one of the client coordinators.
