

LAB ALERT

Date: **September 18th, 2013**

To: Regional Pathology Services Clientele

From: Regional Pathology Client Services

RE: Special Coagulation Testing Services and Platelet Aggregation Studies for the Week of Sept 27-Oct 4, 2013

Due to the implementation of new coagulation analyzers in the Core and Special Coagulation Laboratories, and short staffing, special coagulation testing will be sent out to our partner reference laboratories for the week of **September 27th, 2013 to October 4th, 2013**. This includes von Willebrand and lupus anticoagulant screens, heparin antibody (HIT) testing, factors II, V, VII, X, XI and XII and factor inhibitor assays.

Platelet aggregation studies, with the exception of those currently scheduled, will not be available that week.

Specimens submitted for proteins C and S activity assays will be frozen and performed the following week. Cryoglobulin assays will be performed in the hematopathology lab section and factors VIII and IX will remain available 24/7 in the Core Laboratory.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. Normal operations will resume October 5th, 2013.

Please call Regional Pathology Services with any questions or concerns regarding this lab alert at 402.559.6420 or Toll free at 1-800-334-0459.