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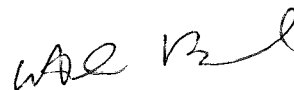
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MEMORANDUM

TO: All Physicians

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DATE: June 15, 2016

RE: Folate Assay

Starting June 21, 2016, the Folate Assay will be standardized to an upgraded WHO Reference Material (IS 03/178).

- The new standard will ensure more consistent results between different methods.
- Patient results will be lower by 1.0 - 1.5 ng/mL. The change is more significant in the lower range, where the decrease can approach 50%.
- New normal range: >4.77 ng/mL
- Numerical values will be reported between 2-20 ng/mL.