

# McKesson/HAC Users' Notes

July 2005

## TEST CHANGES IN HAC

**The following new tests have been made orderable in HAC:**

Direct Antiglobulin Test	6085/DAT
Heparin Antibodies	7630/HAT

Before ordering an MSO, please always use the HAC "Search" function to make sure that the test is not orderable.

Please refer to your AML Collection Manual for specimen collection, processing and transport requirements.

**The following tests have been made *in* orderable in HAC:**

Heparin Induced Thrombocytopenia (Replaced by HAT - see above)	5172/HIT
PTH - C Mid Molecule	2315/PTC
Glucose Tolerance, 3 Hour	161/GT3
Glucose Tolerance, 5 Hour	191/GT5



## HAC PAP SMEAR ORDERING UPDATE

Since the June 1<sup>st</sup> AML conversion to ThinPrep pap smears and the resulting HAC screen changes to accommodate this change, the AML Cytology department has noticed that in many cases, ordering staff are selecting "Thin Prep Hyst Non-Malignant" when it appears that they really want a routine screening pap smear.

When the staff checks "ThinPrep Hyst Non-Malignant" when a patient has **not** had a hysterectomy, it generates additional work and possible additional unnecessary charges to the patient/insurance. If that is checked and an LMP is indicated, the Cytology lab must take the time to call the clinic to check if the patient has had a hysterectomy or if that info was given in error. This takes time in Cytology and it takes time for someone at the clinic to pull the patient's chart and check and call us back. If "ThinPrep Hyst Non-Malignant" is checked, no LMP is indicated, and the Cytotech finds endocervical cells on the ThinPrep, the case is referred to a pathologist for "glandular cells status post-hysterectomy." This generates an additional charge since the case was sent to a pathologist for review. When the clinic receives this report and realizes that the patient has NOT had a hysterectomy, the clinic calls Cytology to correct the information, Cytology must send out a corrected report, and there is additional work for everyone involved - and the error was at the beginning with the order entry. Accurate order entry is very important.

Until everyone has adjusted to the conversion and the new forms/screens, please make sure that all staff is aware of the changes, and that they are correctly indicating the testing requested.

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