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To: AML Reference Laboratory Clients

From: Allina Medical Laboratories, Reference Laboratory Services

Date: June 29, 2009

Re: Lab Reception Areas Closed Saturday July 11 and Sunday July 12, 2009

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Due to a major upgrade in our Laboratory Information System, Ultra, the laboratory reception areas at all four Allina Metro hospital sites (Abbott Northwestern, Mercy, Unity and United Hospitals) will be closed for all non-essential patient collections on Saturday, July 11, and Sunday, July 12, 2009.

Please alert your providers to advise your patients to have any routine testing such as TSH, A1C, PSA, maternal glucose tolerance testing etc collected during the week. Patients that present for test collection on these days may experience significant delays.

Please be aware that during this time, you may also see a delay in lab result reporting over this period for work submitted to AML. We anticipate that our LIS will be fully functional and that all results will be available in our systems by Sunday evening.

We apologize for any inconvenience that this may cause for you and your patients and thank you for your understanding.