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## MEMORANDUM

То:	Central Zone Inpatient, Emergency and Outpatient clinics, Physicians, Health Service Managers, Nurse Practitioners
From:	Dr. Irene Sadek, Dr. Allam Shawwa, Cindy Andrews Division of Hematopathology
Date:	April 24, 2015
RE:	Changes to release of automated differential blood count

Effective immediately the Division of Hematopathology will be making changes to the release of the automated differential.

Currently, if the automated differential shows any abnormality it is flagged for review and performance of a manual differential prior to being released.

In future the automated differential will be released once completed. If the automated differential has been flagged for review, the laboratory report will state:

"The Auto Differential has been flagged by the CBC analyzer for review. If needed, a manual differential will be performed and an additional report will be issued."

If you have any queries or concerns on this matter, please contact:

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We thank you for your attention.

CC. Ms. Shauna Thompson, Dr. J. Godfrey Heathcote