

SAINT FRANCIS HEALTH SYSTEM LABORATORY UPDATE

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TO: Medical Staff

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SUBJECT: ACTH Stimulation Test for Sepsis

Effective Tuesday, September 25, 2007, the laboratory at Saint Francis Hospital will begin offering an ACTH Stimulation Test which can be ordered on sepsis patients. This test should be ordered as "ACTH Stimulation-Sepsis" in Ulticare and will be available on a STAT basis. This new test will include a baseline blood sample and a sample drawn at one hour post-cosyntropin injection. The traditional ACTH Stimulation Test, ordered as "ACTH Stimulation", will still be offered and includes blood draws at baseline, 30-minute, and one-hour post-cosyntropin injection.

Questions regarding this offering should be directed to Dr. Michel S. Medawar or Jay Hupp at 494-1300.