CENTRACARE Laboratory Services MEMO

TO: CCLS Clients

FROM: CCLS - Specimen Referral Center

DATE: 06/14/2018

SUBJECT: Coxsackie B Antibodies, Serum

Effective July 31, 2018, Mayo will be making the following test obsolete due to internal testing options.

Coxsackie B Antibodies, Serum – Mayo Code COXB (LAB0232116)

Explanation: Diagnosis of central nervous system infection with Coxsackie B virus, or other enterovirus, should be performed using a molecular assay able to detect this family of viruses. PCR methods offered internally feature improved clinical sensitivity and specificity when compared to serologic methodologies.

Recommended Alternative Tests:

Enterovirus, Molecular Detection, PCR – Mayo Code LENT (LAB0252601)

Enterovirus, Molecular Detection, PCR, Plasma – Mayo Code ENTP (LAB0298588)

Please feel free to contact the CCLS Specimen Referral Center with any questions at 320-251-2700 Ext. 57320.