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Re: Cytogenetics/FISH Reporting Change

Effective Feb. 1, 2022, Penn's Clinical Cancer Cytogenetics laboratory will no longer be issuing preliminary reports for routine conventional cytogenetics and FISH cases.

Preliminary reports will continue to be issued for STAT requests, consistent with the manner in which preliminary reports are issued currently. STAT cases include those that urgently require results for diagnostic/treatment purposes. There is no change to cases which are by default STAT (ex: new acute leukemia workup) in the laboratory.

All results, including preliminary and final, will be available in PennChart upon completion of testing. There is no change to ordering at this time.

The Anatomic Pathology FISH service is not affected.

Thank you for your support of Penn's Clinical Cancer Cytogenetics Laboratory. Please contact the laboratory at 215-662-4937 with any questions.

