

## UNITY POINT HEALTH - MERITER LABORATORIES

### Mandatory Response – Hematopathology Blood Smear Review

3/9/26

Effective Tuesday, March 10th, a mandatory question will appear when placing the following orders in Epic and SunQuest:

<b>Hematopathology Blood Smear Review</b>		
<a href="#">Meriter Laboratories Test Directory   Home</a>		
<b>SQ Code</b>	<b>EAP Number</b>	<b>CPT Code</b>
RPATH2	LAB5204	85007
HCPTHB	LAB1974	85060

The response to the question, “Reason for testing?” should remain brief (< 50 words) and should include the following:

1. A clear clinical history that briefly explains the CBC abnormality.
2. Chronicity of the abnormality, if known.
3. Whether the smear is being requested for an initial hematology consultation.

**Avoid the use of hyphens in response.**

#### **Examples:**

1. *75 year old female with unexplained lymphocytosis. Evaluate for atypical lymphocytes.*
2. *75 y/o male with unexplained pancytopenia. Evaluate for morphologic evidence of dysplasia.*
3. *For hematology initial consultation.*
  - a. This would be a case where hematology consultation has also been ordered, and hematology needs a peripheral smear as part of initial consultation.

If you have any questions, please call the UnityPoint Health - Meriter Laboratories Client Services Department at 608-417-6529 or 1-800-236-0465.