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ATTENTION ALL PROVIDERS



IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Temperature Requirements for all Submitted Specimens

- To comply with CLIA regulations, the BCL will begin measuring the temperature of all specimens that arrive at the BCL (Prattville and Mobile laboratories).
- Starting February 6, 2023, any specimens that fall outside the temperature range for the requested test method will be marked unsatisfactory and not tested.
 - Until this time, BCL staff will work with providers to help ensure specimens arrive at the laboratory within requirements.
- The revised *BCL Analyte List* with specimen requirements that include shipping temperatures for all specimens will be released next week along with the revised *BCL Test Requisition Form*.

If you have questions regarding this bulletin,
contact the Quality Management division at 334-290-3115.

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