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ATTENTION HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS



REMINDER FOR HIV-EIA TESTING

In order to meet manufacturers' FDA approved procedures for HIV-EIA testing, the Bureau of Clinical Laboratories (BCL) must receive specimens stored at room temperature within 48 hours of collection. If specimens cannot be shipped to reach BCL within 48 hours, they must be refrigerated and shipped to BCL on ice (2-8 ° C) for receipt within 7 days. Any specimens received with a collection date greater than 7 days will be unsatisfactory – too old for testing.

Please ensure the HIV specimens are shipped for courier delivery at the BCL within the 48 hours limit at room temperature or 7 day limit if refrigerated.

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