LHMC Laboratory 101 – Quick Facts

Your Accuracy and Communication are key to great Patient Care

• Where to reference lab test information and specimen collection visual aides

- a. https://logan.testcatalog.org
 - i. The wire under Laboratory
 - ii. Logan Health Clinical Icons all desktops
 - iii. Also found by clicking the link on the Meditech home page, bottom right side 78 6 20 4

• All specimens must include;

- a. Legal Name
- b. DOB
- c. Time and Date of Collection
- d. Mnemonic/Initials of person collecting

• Specimens can only be received by the Lab staff if there is:

- a. A lab order in Meditech, and
- b. Marked correctly for collection:
 - i. <u>phlebotomist to collect</u> or
 - ii. collected if ordered as collect by nurse
- c. Lab staff are not able to:
 - i. Order lab tests for patients
 - ii. Correct lab orders (ordering physician must change)
 - iii. Cancel lab orders (only Laboratory Scientists can cancel lab orders per policy)
 - iv. See lab orders unless
 - 1. marked as "collected" if ordered as "collect by nurse" (Acute Care/ED)
 - 2. *"phlebotomist to collect"* in Meditech or "send patient for collection" (Ambulatory)
 - v. Access any module other than the laboratory module in Meditech (including Acute Care, ED or AOM modules of Web Ambulatory)

• Inpatient clinical staff should communicate specific needs to the laboratory staff by contacting x2396

Laboratory specific policies on Policy Stat for clinical staff review;

- a. Specimen Rejection Protocol for Clinical Staff (reference 70.G.530 Policy)
- b. 70.P.28 Inpatient Specimen Collection -
- c. 70.P.38 Response times for Inpatient Phlebotomy Collections
- d. 70.G.592 Cancelled Test Policy
- e. 70.G.676 Specimen Ordering and Collection
 *These are also accessible on the LHMC Laboratory Test Catalog.