





**MEMORANDUM #173**

TO: UNCHCS Attending Physicians, Housestaff, Clinical Nurse Coordinators, Department Heads and Supervisors

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**SUBJECT: Change in UNCH McLendon Clinical Laboratories Reporting of Urine Cultures**

DATE: August 23, 2017

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Effective September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017, the UNCH McLendon Clinical Laboratories will implement a change to the reporting of urine cultures. Urines will now be reported with quantification ranges rather than specific CFU/mL. This change in reporting will in no way effect decisions in the laboratory regarding when to perform susceptibility testing on isolates. The updated reporting will be as follows:

< 10,000 CFU/mL  
10,000-50,000 CFU/mL  
50,000-100,000 CFU/mL \*  
> 100,000 CFU/mL

\*Cultures found to have 50,000 CFU/mL will be reported as 50,000-100,000 CFU/mL.

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