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To: All Clients of URMC Laboratories

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Re: Autopsy Reports moving to CIS, Allscripts, Provider Portal

The Autopsy Pathology Division of the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine is pleased to report that, effective 12/08/2009, Provisional and Final Autopsy Reports (PADs and FADs) on routine cases will appear in the CIS, Allscripts, and Provider Portal information systems, similar to the manner in which surgical pathology reports are currently handled. Only those cases specifically designated as confidential by the Monroe County Medical Examiner will not be reported electronically; such cases are expected to be rare (no more than 1-2 cases per year). Please note that, once a final report is signed out, it will replace the provisional report in the electronic record. Provisional reports will be available as hard copy, obtainable from the Autopsy Office.

We hope and expect that this change in autopsy reporting will enhance the effectiveness of the autopsy as a teaching and quality assurance tool. The Autopsy Division much appreciates the efforts of the many individuals that have made this change possible, including members of our Department's administrative staff, those of Hospital Administration and Information Services, and Dr. Caroline Dignan, Chief Medical Examiner of Monroe County.