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Re: THC-Metabolites Assay - New Sensitivity Cutoff

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Beginning Wednesday, March 3, 2010, the SMH Automated Laboratory will change the sensitivity cutoff level for the urine THC-Metabolites Assay from 25 to 50 ng/ml. During our evaluation, we found that this cutoff performed well and was consistent with our confirmatory testing. This assay is a component-test of the Urine Drug Screen, the Chemical Dependency Screen, and the Pain Panel Chemical Dependency Screen. With this change, SMH will be using a cutoff level consistent with the majority of laboratories in the U.S.

There will be no change to the SemiQuant THC Assay. We will continue to report semi-quantitative THC-metabolite concentrations down to 10 ng/ml (as Δ^9 -THC-Carboxylic Acid equivalents).

If you have any questions or need assistance with this information, please contact Dr. Tai Kwong via the methods listed above.