To: All Regional Medical Laboratory, Inc. (RML) Clients

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Subject: Sickle Cell Screening requirement with Sports Physicals

An increase in the demand for Sickle Cell Screening tests has been seen by RML due to the recent NCAA Division decision that athletes can no longer sign a written release to opt out of the requirement. If you have a patient that needs a sickle cell screening to complete a collegiate sports physical requirement, RML is pleased to offer the Sickle Cell Solubility Test. This test has a low out of pocket cost for your patient, one day turnaround time and will report with a Positive or Negative result.

Test Name	Test MNEMONIC	Test Number	LOINC CODE	TAT
Sickle Cell Solubility Test	SICKL SCRN	0105700	6864-3	1 Day

If further testing is required to determine whether your patient has Sickle Cell trait or disease, RML offers the Hemoglobin Electrophoresis Test.

Test Name	Test MNEMONIC	Test Number	LOINC CODE	TAT
Hemoglobin Electrophoresis	HGB ELECT	5000750		3-6 Days

Please consider these options along with the clinical presentation, ethnicity and medical history of the patient when meeting these requirements.

If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact:

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