

# Important Update

## Breast Tissue

February 27, 2008

Effective immediately, Covenant HealthCare Laboratory Services has changed protocol for processing breast tissue.

It is required that all breast tissue submitted for examination be considered STAT and sent directly to the histology laboratory upon collection.

It is also required that the specimen is labeled with the time and date it was placed in formalin.

This change is mandated by CAP for HER2 testing.

**Any questions regarding this change please contact Michelle Ashley, Manager, Laboratory Services, 583-6726, or Dr. Nicholas Hruby, Pathologist, 583-6703.**

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