

<b>DATE:</b>	23 June 2025
<b>TO:</b>	All Ordering Providers, Clinicians
<b>FROM:</b>	Hematology Discipline Council, APL
<b>RE:</b>	<b>Ordering Practice Changes for “CBC and Differential”</b>

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### Key Message

- Effective June 24, 2025, A “CBC and Differential” (CBCD) order will be converted to a “CBC, No Differential” (CBC) if a differential has been reported within the same calendar day.
- Connect Care will automatically convert the “CBC and Differential” to a “CBC, No Differential”.

### Background

- In consultation with our clinical colleagues, this initiative will result in utilization efficiencies as well lab efficiencies /cost savings without impacting patient care.

### How this will impact you

- A “CBC and Differential” order will not have a differential reported if there has already been a differential reported within the same calendar day.

### Action Required

- Adapt ordering processes to only order a single “CBC and Differential” (CBCD) within one calendar day. **OR:** continue with ordering “CBC and Differential” (CBCD) as per current ordering practice with the understanding that a differential will be reported only once per calendar day.
  - An exception has been made for Anti-Thymocyte Globulin (ATG) medications. If the ATG medication order is **active**, the “CBC and Differential” order for multiple differentials within 24 hours will be honored.
  - Occasionally, other exceptions may be required; the clinician is required to place orders for “CBC, No Differential” and call the lab to add on a differential **after** specimen collection.

**Effective**      **June 24, 2025**

### Questions/Concerns

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