

Date: October 25, 2011

To: South Zone – West: Physician Offices, Physician Clinics, All Laboratories

From: AHS Laboratory Services – South Zone (West)

Re: LB-32-11 Slide Holders for Submission of Genital Smears to the Laboratory

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Key Messages:

Effective immediately, **clear or pink** slide holders will be accepted for the submission of genital smears.

Why this is important:

- Currently genital smear are submitted to the Laboratory in pink slide holders only. Pink slide holders are no longer available from the vendor.

Action Required:

- Submit genital smears in either **pink or clear** slide holders.

Inquiries and feedback may be directed to:

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This bulletin has been reviewed and approved by
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