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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

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Re: Change to the List of Reportable Laboratory Findings

Dear Laboratory Colleagues:

Effective February 5, 2020, as Commissioner of the Connecticut Department of Public Health (DPH), I amended the List of Reportable Diseases, Emergency Illnesses and Health Conditions and the List of Reportable Laboratory Findings by adding "COVID-19" and "SARS-CoV-2" to such lists. This action was taken pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 19a- 2a and Section 19a-36-A7 of the Public Health Code.

By taking this action, laboratories were required to immediately contact the DPH with positive laboratory findings for SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19.

As part of the public health response to the COVID-19 pandemic, I hereby amend the List of Reportable Laboratory Findings by requiring laboratories that send test results to DPH using the Department's Electronic Laboratory Reporting system to immediately provide the DPH with positive and negative laboratory findings for SARS-CoV-2, effective March 18, 2020. This required reporting is necessary for public health purposes.

https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Epidemiology-and-Emerging-Infections/Electronic-Laboratory-Reporting

I thank you in advance for your continued partnership in addressing the public health of the State of Connecticut.

Sincerely,

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