**To:** Dartmouth Health Providers

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**Re:** Delay on Urine Amphetamine Confirmations

**Situation**

Confirmatory amphetamine testing on urine drug screens are delayed 3-5 days beyond normal turnaround times.

**Background**

When urine drug testing is ordered with confirmation requested, positive amphetamine screens are sent to Mayo Clinic Labs for confirmatory testing by mass spectrometry. We received notice yesterday that amphetamine confirmatory testing will be delayed for the next 2-4 weeks due to instrumentation issues.

**Assessment**

Normal turnaround time for this testing is 3 to 5 days after receipt at Mayo Clinic Labs. With the delay, turnaround would be expected to be 6-10 days.

**Recommendation**

Providers should anticipate longer turnaround times for amphetamine confirmation testing until Mayo Clinic Labs updates us that the delay has ended (anticipated to be 2-4 weeks).

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