

The NC EDSS team is implementing updates to the test names in the lab tab to reflect updates to the LOINC standard. These updates will change slightly the way the test names are presented in the pick list for the labs. Most of these changes reflect changes to test names. Some of the most common are noted below. Also attached to this email is a list of all of the changes to each test name.

Some of the changes most noticeable are:

- method abbreviation "EIA" was formerly used to represent an "EIA-like" class of immunoassay methods and has been changed to "IA" (Immunoassay).
- abbreviation "PCR" (polymerase chain reaction) has been changed to "NAA" (nucleic acid amplification).
- some, but not all tests that had abbreviation "Ser" (serum) have that changed to "SerPI" (serum/plasma)

Example 1 (EIA changed to IA)

Current display value:

T pallidum Ab Ser QI EIA || Treponema pallidum Ab: EIA

New display value:

T pallidum Ab Ser QI IA || Treponema pallidum Ab: IA

Example 2 (PCR changed to NAA)

Current display value:

M TB DNA Spt QI PCR || Mycobacterium tuberculosis DNA: Probe.amp.tar

New display value:

M tb DNA Spt QI NAA+probe || Mycobacterium tuberculosis DNA: Probe.amp.tar

Example 3 (Ser changed to SerPI and EIA changed to IA)

Current display value:

HIV1+2 Ab Ser QI EIA || HIV 1+2 Ab: EIA

New display value:

HIV1+2 Ab SerPI QI IA || HIV 1+2 Ab: IA

Changes to NC EDSS will be implemented on Monday, October 8 2018. If you have any questions or concerns feel free to contact the NC EDSS Help Desk at 919-715-5548 or NCEDSSHelpDesk@dhhs.nc.gov.