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Clarification of CTS Dallas and Phoenix Labs to Implement WNV Testing on the Panther Testing Platform

Overview:

On June 17, 2019, the CTS Dallas and Phoenix labs only will begin performing WNV testing on the fully automated Panther System, currently only in use for Zika testing. Transitioning WNV testing from the older Grifols Tigris to the newer Panther testing platform will enhance testing efficiency, which should improve upload goals during the upcoming 2019 WNV season. Performing the Procleix WNV Assay on the Panther System, should not interrupt your normal testing schedule.

While the Procleix WNV assay and sample requirements remain the same, the package insert has been updated to reflect the assay when performed on the Panther System. The assay license number has not changed. The new package insert, assay history list, and platform history list will be available on the CTS website on June 17th.

Impact to Clients:

- The new WNV Assay package insert, assay history list, and platform history list will be available on the CTS website on June 17th.
- No change to WNV sample requirements.
- No change to result format for WNV Assay.
- No expected delay in testing during the implementation.

Client Action Required:

- Notify appropriate staff of updated documents on the website.

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