



Hidalgo County Health Department

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March 3, 2008

MEMORANDUM

To: Martha Salazar, Purchasing Agent

From: Eduardo Olivarez, Chief Administrative Officer

RE: Specification for Laboratory Services

We are requesting your assistance in contracting with an eligible Laboratory for CHIP Perinatal Eligible patients. Our seven clinics will be referring CHIP Perinatal patients to the contract Laboratory. All non-eligible patients will be referred to the Texas Department of State Health Services Laboratory.

CHIP Perinatal Care is part of the Superior Health Plan Insurance program that provides healthcare for many Texans.

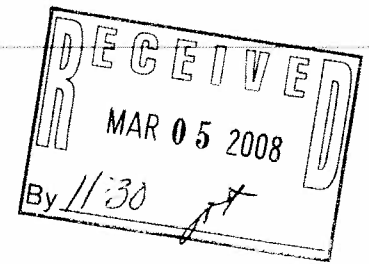
The following requirements must be met by the Laboratory:

- Must be a Chip Perinatal Provider *mandated by the State of TX, Dept of Health*
- Maternal Serum Screen 5 (Age, AFP, hCG, uE3, DIA, ITA) **Results must be available within 24 hours**
- Prenatal (OB) Panel (Total of 11 tests which includes Hepatitis B, HIV, RPR & Rubella) **Results must be available within 24 hours**
- Amplified CT/GC Testing for Chlamydia and Gonorrhea **Results must be available within 48 hours**
- Surpath (Liquid Pap Smear) includes HPV, GC/Chlamydia **Results must be available within 48 hours**
- Bacterial Vaginosis/Vaginitis (Trich, G. Vaginalis, & Candida) **Results must be available within 48 hours**
- Supplies must be provided for all testing required
- Must provide pick up services at each of the seven health department clinics
- Provide accessibility to refer clients for special specimen collections, as needed (i.e. Weslaco, Edinburg, McAllen)

Clinic Locations:

- Edinburg Clinic** 3105 E. Schunior, Edinburg TX
- Elsa Clinic** 708 Edinburg, Street, Elsa, TX
- Hidalgo Clinic** 702 E. Texano Street, Hidalgo, TX
- McAllen Clinic** 300 E. Hackberry McAllen, TX
- Mission Clinic** 211 E. Schurback Mission, TX
- Pharr Clinic** 1903 N. Fir Pharr, TX
- Weslaco Clinic** 1901 N. Bridge Weslaco, TX

Computers ?





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March 27, 2008

MEMORANDUM

To: Martha Salazar, Purchasing Agent

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RE: Lab Requirements

The following are the procedures and requirements for the lab services requested:

- Patients will be screened by the Health Department staff for Chip Perinatall Eligibility
- Specimens will be collected by Health Department Staff – (patient may need to be referred to lab when specimen can not be collected by the Health Department staff)
- We are requesting for the lab to have at least 2 sites (East and West Hidalgo County)
- Lab must schedule daily pickup of specimens for all clinic locations (Edinburg, Elsa, Hidalgo, McAllen, Mission, Pharr and Weslaco)
- Lab will be responsible for billing Superior Health Plan for services
- Lab Results: Electronic Lab Reports will be required
- Average female patients 1250 yearly x 5 specimens per patient
- Approximately 600 lab re-submissions according to weeks gestation

Additional service required for children:

Average of 250 Children enrolled in Superior Health Plan

Lab services required:

- New Born Screening – **Lab results must be available within 24 hours**
- Lead - **Lab results must be available within 24 hours**
- Total Hemoglobin - **Lab results must be available within 24 hours**
- Total Electro Phoresis - **Lab results must be available within 24 hours**
- RPR - **Lab results must be available within 24 hours**
- HIV - **Lab results must be available within 24 hours**

