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Dear Healthcare Provider,

The information contained here may be very important to your practice. Please take a moment to review this document.

**ALBUMIN AND TOTAL PROTEIN IN BODY FLUID ANALYTICAL MEASURING RANGE UPDATE**

In our ongoing effort to improve patient care, we are pleased to announce analytical measuring ranges for albumin and total protein in body fluid have been updated to the new lower levels. Please note the new levels listed here:

	Albumin	Total Protein
Previous Level	≥1.5 g/dL	≥3.0 g/dL
New Level	≥0.5 g/dL	≥1.0 g/dL

**REFLEX TESTING PROTOCOL CHANGES FOR TWO ALLERGEN PROFILES**

**Childhood Food and Environmental Panel ordered with reflex:**

Egg white (f1)>0.35 Ku/L, Milk (f2)>0.35 Ku/L or Peanut (f13)>0.35 Ku/L will reflex to egg, milk and/or peanut component allergen profile.

**Food Allergy Panel ordered with reflex:**

Egg white (f1)>0.35 Ku/L, Milk (f2)>0.35 Ku/L or Peanut (f13)>0.35 Ku/L will reflex to egg, milk and/or peanut component allergen profile.

**NEW PATIENT SERVICE CENTERS NOW OPEN!**

Our new Patient Service Centers located at 800 Austin Avenue in Evanston and 2800 Sheridan Road in Chicago’s Lincoln Park opened on September 1. Both PSCs are open Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m, closing for lunch daily between 12:30 and 1 p.m. Saturday hours are 7:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. For further details, visit <http://www.PCLAlverno.com/patient-service-centers/illinois-locations>.

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