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FORENSIC SERVICES LABORATORY CUSTOMER NOTICE 2017-07

REGARDING TOXICOLOGY REPORTING UNITS September 8, 2017

Effective September 8, 2017, the SLED Toxicology Department will transition to new quantitative reporting units on forensic reports. This transition is necessary to bring the department more aligned with quantitative units found in literature and with those units most widely accepted in the field of Toxicology.

Drugs previously reported in mg/L will now be reported in ng/mL. This change reflects a factor of 1000 difference between the values. As an example, a case previously reported as 0.56 mg/L Cocaine will now be reported as 560 ng/mL Cocaine. Other units will be adjusted as appropriate.

For questions regarding interpretation, please contact the Toxicology Department and Lt. Dustin Smith at 803-896-7385.



