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To whom it may concern,

We are writing to inform you of some changes to the **Levetiracetam** service at King's College Hospital, Denmark Hill. This assay will be moved from the Blood Sciences Laboratory analysed on the Roche, to a sendaway for the Therapeutic Drug Monitoring Unit at the Chalfont Centre for Epilepsy. The new method will be LC-MS/MS but the units and therapeutic range will remain the same (12-46 mg/L). This will be an improvement to the existing Levetiracetam service, as the Chalfont Centre has UKAS accreditation and a 3 working day turnaround time for this assay.

There will be no change to sample requirements but the Chalfont Centre also accepts EDTA plasma and lithium heparin plasma (send at room temperature or at 4°C). The minimum volume required for the LC-MS/MS assay is 0.2 mL.

This change will take effect from **Monday 5th July 2021**. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries.

Yours faithfully,



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