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Re: FDA Approval of Female Urine for CT/ GC NAAT Testing

We are pleased to inform you that **female urine** is now an FDA-approved specimen source for Chlamydia and Gonorrhea NAAT testing. As a result, effective today, **September 10th, 2018**, the time from collection to testing for all urine specimens is being extended from 7 days to **30 days**.

Please contact the lab at **443-681-3937** or the Chlamydia Supervisor at **443-681-3932**, if you have any questions.