

## **Memorandum – Anatomic Pathology #17**

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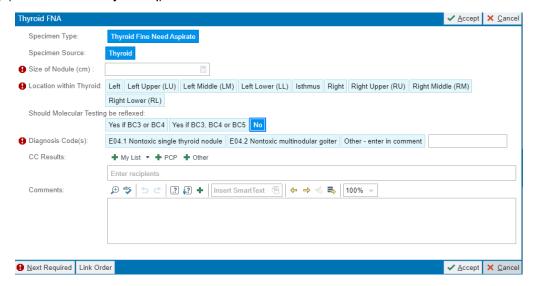
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Subject: Updated Thyroid FNA [LAB5432] order

Effective 5/15/23, our lab will require that any Thyroid FNA must be submitted using order **Thyroid FNA [LAB5432].** The order **Fine Needle Aspiration [LAB534] should NOT be used for Thyroid** as it does not include the corresponding reflex questions for ancillary molecular testing (AKA Afirma/Thyroseq).



Also, note that a previous version of this order included the option "Hold for Physician Request", which has been eliminated.

If your patient is unsure of wanting the molecular testing done, select NO reflex and still collect the additional pass for the Afirma/Thyroseq sample. This sample will be stored in the lab for up to 90 days in case the provider wants to add testing after receiving results and discussing the molecular testing option with the patient.

For questions related to these changes, you can contact Daniel Arguello via Epic In-Basket or email me at Daniel.Arguello@unchealth.unc.edu