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**RE: 2012 Chlamydia/GC NAAT Allocation Sticker Distribution and Teleconferences**

Dear Colleagues:

The **2012 Chlamydia/GC NAAT Allocation Stickers** will be shipped to the local health departments through the sticker stewards for each county by November 30, 2011. You must contact your sticker stewards (see below) directly to obtain your stickers.

Please note that the 2012 submission policy guidance documents are posted on the DHMH Laboratory website at <http://dhmh.maryland.gov/labs> (click on “2012 Chlamydia/GC NAAT Updates.”) Please check our website periodically for updates and archived documents.

For your convenience, we will be providing two identical **teleconferences on November 16, 2011 and November 29, 2011**. Your staff will only need to attend one. The teleconference will cover 2012 Allocation Sticker Updates and general reminders, as well as a question and answer session at the end. This is a great opportunity for training and retraining purposes. We highly recommend that staff directly involved in completing the submission forms, collecting the samples, and packaging the submission forms/samples also attend the teleconference. The teleconference information is:

**November 16, 2011 (Wednesday), 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM**

Dial-In Number: (410) 225-5300

Meeting ID: 8182

**November 29, 2011 (Tuesday), 2:00 PM- 2:45 PM**

Dial-In Number: (410) 225-5300

Meeting ID: 0996

Should you have questions on the **Laboratory Submission Policy**, please contact the DHMH Laboratories Administration's staff directly:

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The **2012 preliminary list of sticker stewards** for each county is below for your reference. This list was provided to the Laboratories Administration by the Center for STI Prevention on November 2, 2011. Please contact Ms. Liebow or Mr. Pena directly should you have any corrections to this list.

Allegany County: Carole: Kenny, RN, MS (301-759-5111; [ckenny@dhhm.state.md.us](mailto:ckenny@dhhm.state.md.us))  
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For local health departments who are interested in establishing a **Fiscal Year 2012 (July 2011-June 2012) MOU/PO** to cover additional test requests, please contact our DHMH Laboratories Administration Fiscal Officer, **Mr. Ken Keys** at [keys@dhmh.state.md.us](mailto:keys@dhmh.state.md.us) directly as soon as possible. The cost reimbursable rate for reagents and supplies for the CT/GC NAAT is \$12.00. (Note that the cost reimbursable rate for the CT only NAAT is the same as the CT/GC NAAT). Please inform your staff and procurement officers that they must contact Mr. Ken Keys at [keys@dhmh.state.md.us](mailto:keys@dhmh.state.md.us) directly for any MOU/PO inquiries.

We sincerely appreciate your continued assistance and cooperation. Thank you.

Regards,



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