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RE: Update in Clinical Hematology Laboratory Critical Value Calls

Effective October, 24, 2017, the Clinical Hematology Laboratory will modify its critical value calling procedure. As per Med Center policy PC 115's laboratory critical value, definition of terms, the critical value policy for INPATIENT hematology values has changed. The laboratory calls critical values the first time the limit is exceeded. A new call is made only if a value falls outside the critical range and then becomes critical again.

Please refer to the *Laboratory Critical Value List* in the UChicago Medicine Laboratory Handbook for a complete list of critical values.