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The Acute Care Lab at Muhlenberg is transitioning to the new Beckman Coulter automation track system starting November 28th, 2023. This new automated technology will help enhance throughput and turnaround time for the onsite acute care lab, helping to get results for patient care even quicker. The acute care lab will utilize backup mechanisms to prevent delays in turnaround times during this transition.

The below information will help ensure appropriate specimen throughput.

Barcode Information

- Do not write next to the lab barcode, as this hinders machine scanning.
- Initials should be written on the **bottom** of the label. Do not place initials next to the barcode.

One Tube Per Printed Label

- **Reminder:** One tube per sticker gets results quicker.
- A label will print out for each necessary tube based on the tests ordered, grouping tests whenever possible.

Fill Volumes

- Ensure lab tubes are filled to the appropriate volume.
- Minimum volumes for laboratory tests are available on the lab handbook through hnl.com.

Questions?

For any questions or concerns, please contact the Clinical Hospital Advisors via email or Tiger Text.

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