



Technical Memorandum

TO: Physicians, Staff
From: Wesley Kim, MD, Medical Director
Date: June 6, 2013
Subject: Platelet Count Reference Range

Beginning June 17, 2013, Diagnostic Lab Services will be adjusting its normal reference range for adult Platelet Count. The table below shows the previous and new updated ranges for your comparison. Following a change in methodology at the beginning of November 12, 2012, the lab continues to further monitor and refine parameter reference ranges to ensure they fit with Hawaii's population. The platelet count change is based on extensive review and analysis of outpatient "normal" sample results, correlation with clinical findings, and review of published literature.

Table 1

Parameter	Unit	Previous Reference Range	New Reference Range
Platelet Count	$\times 10^3/\mu\text{L}$	151 - 369	151 - 424

Thank you for your continued patience and understanding. If you have any questions please call DLS client services at 589-5101 or Dr. Wesley J. Kim at 589-5131.