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County of Burleigh)

I, Margaret A. Pearson, do hereby certify that I am a duly-appointed State Toxicologist for the State of North Dakota and an official custodian of the records and files of the office thereof, that I have carefully compared the **MEMO TO EMERGENCY ROOM SUPERVISORS AND PERSONNEL (JANUARY 2, 2004)** hereto attached with the respective original as the same appears of record on file in the Office of the Attorney General, Crime Laboratory Division, in the County of Burleigh, North Dakota, and find the same to be a true and correct copy thereof and of the whole thereof. In witness whereof I have set my hand at the city of Bismarck, in said county this:

2nd day of January, 2004

Margaret A. Pearson
Margaret A. Pearson, State Toxicologist

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On this 2 day of January, 2004, before me personally appeared Margaret A. Pearson, known to me to be the State Toxicologist for the State of North Dakota, acknowledged to me that she has executed the same.

Subscribed to and sworn before me this:

2 day of January, 2004

Cindy Leingang
Cindy Leingang, Notary Public, State of North Dakota
My Commission Expires January 11, 2005

CINDY LEINGANG
Notary Public, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
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MEMO TO: Emergency Room Supervisors & Personnel
FROM: Margaret A. Pearson, State Toxicologist
DATE: January 2, 2004
REGARDING: Blood Alcohol Collection Kits

*Margaret A. Pearson
 2 January 2004*

Since the inception of this office in 1961, the State Toxicology Laboratory has been supplying the blood collection kits used for alcohol testing. The present blood collection kits contain most of the components needed for withdrawing blood. On occasion, you may need to use a substitute for an item in the kit. If a substitute component is used, that information should be documented on the Submission for Blood, Form 104. Listed below are the kit components and their acceptable alternatives:

KIT COMPONENTS

ACCEPTABLE ALTERNATIVES

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Submission for Blood, Form 104 2) Vacutainer tube 3) Needle 4) Disinfectant*
 5) Guide (vacutainer holder) 6) Specimen label 7) Absorbent pad 8) Plastic bag 9) Return address label or shipping seal from another kit | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> From another kit of the same Kit Lot No. From another kit of the same Kit Lot No. From your supplies (any sterile needle and/or syringe) From another kit of the same Kit Lot No. or germicidal soap or hydrogen peroxide From your supplies From another kit From your supplies or another kit From your supplies or another kit |
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These kits are assembled and sealed at the Crime Laboratory Division or by an approved supplier. An expiration date is marked on the kits. Do not use the kit after this date. Using the kit after its expiration date will not affect the alcohol test, but could result in insufficient blood being collected. Please note that either the specimen collector and/or specimen submitter should verify that the kit was intact before use and make checks appropriately on the Form 104.

A blood sample obtained according to the instructions listed on Form 104 and utilizing a blood collection kit supplied by the Crime Laboratory Division will be considered properly obtained.

This memorandum supersedes the memoranda of July 2, 1992, March 29, 1993, May 2, 1994, September 27, 1999, September 1, 2000, and June 15, 2003.

*Disinfectant products containing 0.02 percent or less alcohol will be considered non-alcoholic for this purpose.