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Dear Rabies Submitters:

The Missouri State Public Health Laboratory (MSPHL) is in the process of implementing a new laboratory information management system (LIMS) in multiple testing laboratory areas. Specifically, the laboratory area included in this phase is rabies testing. The OpenELIS(OE) LIMS will provide the laboratory with improved sample management capability, improved data integrity, and reduced potential for human data entry error. In addition, the system will provide improved reporting capabilities, including a web portal that MSPHL submitters can use to view and print their own test results in real time.

Implementation Date - On June 15, 2018, the MSPHL plans to "go-live" with the rabies phase of the new OE LIMS.

New Test Request Forms - The current rabies form is being replaced by updated Test Request forms. New forms will be mailed out to your facility in addition to being placed in rabies shipping boxes as they are returned to your facility.

Web Portal for Result Reports - The OE LIMS provides a web portal that may be used to view and print test result reports. To request access to this portal, please email OpenElisWebportal@health.mo.gov with your name and facility information in the email. Requests can be made for access beginning June 11, 2018. Result reports will be available in PDF format the same day that testing is complete through the web portal. You will no longer have to wait for result reports to arrive in the mail, as you will now be able to print your own reports on demand. In addition, result reports will continue to be mailed until it is agreed to discontinue paper reporting.

The MSPHL is excited about the added benefits from this new system, and we ask for your patience as we implement the OE LIMS.

If you have any questions, please contact the MSPHL at 573-751-3334.

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