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Memorandum

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Subject: Update to CSF Testing Turnaround Time – Effective September 29, 2025

Dear Reference Laboratory Clients,

We are writing to inform you of an important update to our standard turnaround time (TAT) for CSF testing for prion disease. Effective **September 29, 2025**, the TAT for applicable tests will be reduced from **7 business days** to **5 business days**.

This improvement reflects ongoing enhancements in sample handling, workflow efficiency, and analytic process optimization.

Key Details:

- **Previous TAT:** 7 business days
- **New TAT:** 5 business days
- **Effective Date:** September 29, 2025
- **Applies To:** CPT Codes 86317 14-3-3, 86317 Total Tau & 0035U RT QuIC

We kindly ask that you update your internal documentation, test information directory, and workflows to reflect this change.

If you have any questions or need further clarification, please contact us at 216-368-0587 or through our secure messaging via Proofpoint <https://securemail.case.edu/encrypt>.