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Subject: OpenELIS implementation date postponed to October 29

Dear Newborn Screening Partners:

The Newborn Screening section of the State Hygienic Laboratory at the University of Iowa (SHL) is very near completion of our upgrade to a new Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS), OpenELIS. SHL staff have worked tirelessly to meet the original target date of 10/1/2024 for implementation. Despite their best efforts we have identified a few key concerns that must be addressed before implementation can be completed.

Patient safety is our highest priority at the SHL, and resolving these concerns is critical to a successful implementation. **For this reason, SHL is delaying our date of implementation for newborn screening in the OpenELIS LIMS and OpenELIS Web Portal to Tuesday, 10/29/2024.** The current web portal will remain in use for receiving final reports until that date. I apologize for any inconvenience this change of date may cause your organization.

Thank you,

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