

Ted's Operational Updates

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LDMS Reconciliations

- Big thanks to sites for efforts over the past year to clean up MTN 003 and MTN 015 reports.
- SCHARP has tweaked programming because of issues with “never store”
- Time lag from CRF/LDMS correction-fax/export-data in SCHARP database
- Usually something has to be corrected.

LDMS Reconciliations

- Suggestions
 - Review past reports to see past corrective action
 - If CRF has correct information, refile only once
 - In some cases, copy in past corrective action resubmit
 - Do not submit requisitions-these do not affect the process. It's only what is in LDMS or CRF

Non enrolled Screening Samples

- Gram stains and swabs
- If screening attempt fails, sample cannot be retained
- Check screening and enrollment log to verify deferral; destroy physical sample and change status in LDMS to “DSR”* with a comment.
 - Remove sample from storage module first
- Must not be shipped

Shipping

- New paperwork steps are in place to save money
- Sites will bill to MWRI account #12345
- Wayne works on invoices with MTN financial and invoices sites for shipping costs
- In some cases, MTN will have funds for shipment
- This gets us a bulk discount with World Courier and saves 10-15%

Shipping

- MTN 003 Shipping and MTN 020 IVR shipping is on hold pending budgetary considerations.
- Continue storing MTN returned IVR.
- Plans for 2014 for increased tracking and more stringent reporting to NEC

Shipping

- The NL would like to work with sites to resolve recurrent Shipping Issues
 - Sites do not copy people on the original email
 - No job #
 - No linkage of batches to sample requests
 - Wrong shipping destination
 - Wrong/Incomplete samples in shipment