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Subject: Collection System Status Report for January – March 2007

Attached are the charts reporting the collective test results for UDS samples taken during the 3rd Quarter, January – March of FY 2006/2007.

The majority of positive results continue to be a result of approved prescriptions for Naltrexone taken by some participants, or medications prescribed for surgery. One participant still shows positive results on occasion as a result of sugar imbalances from his diabetes. There were five new participants who had initial positive tests and were sent to treatment.

Four participants with positive UDS samples were determined to have relapsed (one had self-reported): two were terminated from the program, and two were ordered inpatient treatment, as indicated on the quarterly report.

During this reporting period the “Turn Around Time” as reported by Quest lab:

	<i>Date of collection to lab receipt</i>	<i>Lab receipt to results reported</i>	<i>Total Time</i>
Averages:	4.2 days	2.4 days	6.5 days

Attachments

Data on Urine Tests Results – 3rd Quarter January – March 2007

POSITIVE TEST RESULTS				
Month 2007	Total # of Tests	Total Positive Results	Number of Positives	Comments
January	841	78	1 4 4 64 1 2 1 1	Participant relapsed. (#1 on Relapse Report) One participant ongoing relapse from December 2006. Approved prescriptions other than Naltrexone by case manager. Approved prescriptions by case manager for Naltrexone. New participant, initial positive – sent to inpatient treatment. Approved prescription medication causing “false positive” of another drug. Positives resulting from alcohol-producing microorganisms associated with participant's diabetes. Retest was negative.
February	830	81	1 2 1 9 65 1 1 1	Participant relapsed. (#3 on Relapse Report) Participant's continued relapse. (#1 on Relapse Report) One participant ongoing relapse from December 2006 (as above). Approved prescriptions other than Naltrexone by case manager. Approved prescriptions by case manager for Naltrexone. Positives resulting from alcohol-producing microorganisms associated with participant's diabetes. Determined not a relapse. Retest was negative.
March	827	91	1 13 64 3 3 4 1 2	Participant relapsed. (#4 on Relapse Report) Approved prescriptions other than Naltrexone by case manager. Approved prescriptions by case manager for Naltrexone. New (3) participants, initial positive – sent to inpatient treatment. New participant, first three tests were positive – sent to inpatient treatment. Positives resulting from alcohol-producing microorganisms associated with participant's diabetes. Retest was negative. Pending investigation (2 participants).
TOTAL	2498	250	250	

NEGATIVE-DILUTE TEST RESULTS				
Month 2007	Total # of Tests	Total Negative- Dilute Results	Number of Negative-Dilute Results	Comments
January	841	5	5	Case Managers notified and retesting ordered.
February	830	3	3	Case Managers notified and retesting ordered.
March	827	2	2	Case Managers notified and retesting ordered.
TOTAL	2498	10	10	

Data on Urine Tests Results – 3rd Quarter January – March 2007

INVALID/REJECTED TEST RESULTS				
Month 2007	Total # of Tests	Total Invalid or Rejected Results	Number of Invalid or Rejected Results	Comments
January	841	9	1	Immunoassay Interference.
			1	GC/MS Interference (other compound interfering).
			1	Abnormal specimen odor.
			1	The sample leaked in transport.
			1	Possible Oxidant Activity.
			4	Insufficient volume due to lab using entire vial prior to completing the test.
February	830	14	1	Immunoassay Interference.
			1	Collector name/Signature not on Chain of Custody form; retesting ordered.
			2	Lab claims the specimen ID number mismatch/missing
			2	The sample leaked in transport.
			1	Possible Oxidant Activity.
			7	Insufficient volume due to lab using entire vial prior to completing the test.
March	827	9	1	The sample leaked in transport.
			4	Insufficient volume due to lab using entire vial prior to completing the test.
			2	Possible Oxidant Activity.
			2	Collector name/Signature not on Chain of Custody form; retesting ordered.
TOTAL	2498	32	32	