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SUBJECT: Testing and Reporting for Driving Under the Influence (DUI) Case Submissions

Washington State Patrol Toxicology Laboratory User Agencies:

In order to balance the needs of our customers with current Laboratory resources, and in support of reducing turnaround times and the backlog of toxicology cases, the Toxicology Laboratory Division will implement changes to **Driving Under the Influence (DUI)** case testing and reporting, **effective January 17, 2023**.

- If results for ethanol or THC are at/or above predetermined levels, no additional drug testing will be performed and a report will be issued.
 - Ethanol: 0.09 g/100 mL
 - THC: 7.0 ng/mL
- If after receiving the test report it is determined that additional drug testing is required, the submitting agency or prosecutor's office may request additional testing by contacting the Laboratory at 206-262-6100 or toxlab@wsp.wa.gov. Requests for additional testing should be received within 60 days from the report date.
- This change will be applied to all **DUI submissions** currently pending toxicology testing, as well as new DUI submissions.
- No testing nor reporting changes will be applied to other case types to include: Drug Recognition Expert (DRE), Death Investigation, Drug Investigation, Drug Facilitated Sexual Assault, and Liquor and Cannabis Board submissions.

Any questions, concerns, or case-by-case justification for exceptions to this testing and reporting change can be directed to the Laboratory at 206-262-6100 or toxlab@wsp.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Elizabeth Gough".

Elizabeth Gough, Commander
Toxicology Laboratory Division

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