

OREGON STATE HOSPITAL

PORTLAND – SALEM

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

POINT PERSON: JAN RUTHERFORD, LABORATORY MANAGER

DATE: 1/31/12

OSH POLICY NUMBER & TITLE: 2.005, ORDERING LABORATORY TESTS, COLLECTING, HANDLING, AND TRANSPORT OF LABORATORY SPECIMENS

PURPOSE OF THIS POLICY:

The lab policy describes how lab specimens are collected, labeled, handled, and transported to assure staff safety, and the integrity of the specimen. An important provision for unit staff to remember is that two patient identifiers must be present on all specimen labels.

SUBSTANTIAL CONTENT CHANGES (EXCLUDING “HOUSEKEEPING” CHANGES):

This OSH policy was replaced by a Laboratory Departmental policy and procedure.

REFERENCE CHANGES (ORS, OAR, TJC, CMS, OTHER):

LOCATION OF POLICY:

Section 2, Clinical Support Services