

EXTREME COLD WEATHER ALERT

The National Weather Service (NWS) has issued a Wind Chill Warning in effect 18:00 CST on 1/29/19 through 12:00 CST on 1/31/19. Dangerously cold wind chills of -45 to -55 degrees below zero are expected.

Due to extreme cold weather, specimen integrity cannot be maintained for any length of time in your outside WDL lock box. In order to protect your patient specimens, we recommend that you take the following proactive steps:

- Contact WDL Dispatch at 414-805-7674 as soon as possible if your location will be closing early due to inclement weather to discuss alternate pickup arrangements.
- If specimen stability allows and testing is not urgent, hold specimens overnight at the temperature required in the WDL Test Directory and arrange for a pickup the following morning.

The inclement weather and severe cold conditions create challenges for our transportation teams. During these conditions it is possible that your scheduled pickup times may also be delayed. Please be assured that we are taking necessary steps to minimize any disruption or delay to our services.

We thank you for your collaboration and understanding as we work together to provide the service level you expect, to care for the patient's you serve, and protect the safety of our staff during these extreme conditions.

Please contact WDL Transportation at 414-805-7674 or WDL Client Services at 414-805-7600 with any questions. Be safe and stay warm!

