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Haematological Malignancy Diagnostic Service Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust.

Information for Delivery Drivers

HMDS is a diagnostic laboratory that specialises in the diagnosis of leukaemia and lymphoma. We regularly receive specimens from all over Yorkshire and beyond. As someone making deliveries to us, we would like you to take a moment to read this leaflet and retain it for future reference.

Finding us

HMDS is located on level 3 at Bexley Wing, St James Hospital, and can be accessed via the blue lifts located on level 0 by the main entrance desk. Once on level 3 turn right along the corridor, right again, and the department is sign posted HMDS and has blood cell images on the wall. If you are delivering sample(s) outside our routine Specimen Reception core hours (Mon-Friday: 09:00-20:00) and there is no answer, please place the

samples into the safe box outside the department.



The specimens we receive from patients include samples of blood or tissue. These deteriorate if there is any delay and the analysis may then fail with serious consequences for the patient. In some cases the results of these tests may be needed urgently in order to treat the patient.

If you are delayed.

If you are delayed in traffic or for some other reason, we would appreciate it if you would call us. This allows us to make

appropriate arrangements and to keep the clinical team informed.

If a specimen package is damaged

A specimen should have been securely packed so that it can be transported safely before you receive it. If a package is damaged or appears to be leaking do not touch it or open the container. Please drive to St James's and then contact us for assistance.

** PLEASE ENSURE HMDS SAMPLES ARE DELIVERED DIRECT TO THE HMDS LABORATORY **

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