



CPC January 2026 Newsletter

CPC TAT (turnaround time) Transparency

Welcome to 2026!



Happy 2026 everyone!

Here at CPC, we are always focused on providing the best possible pathology service and care for your patients. In this newsletter, we will highlight Turnaround Time, TAT for short.

What is TAT?

Clinicians and labs often have different measurements regarding TAT times. For clinicians, it is usually the total time from the test request to the final report receipt. For laboratories, TAT is often measured from sample receipt until delivery of the final report to clinicians.

TAT transparency

CPC is focused on providing transparency into case workup and optimizing the entire reporting process.

For the most part, final report delays typically occur when the pathologist performing the case workup orders additional stains or testing. This is especially true for melanocytic lesions and for difficult cases. Our recent newsletters series (available on our website) outlined the specific stain steps taken by pathologists in the workup of suspected melanocytic/melanoma specimens.

There are other, more involved and specific tests that can be performed in very difficult cases, such as suspected lymphoma or other types of diseases. These can involve many stains and/or molecular tests performed in our lab.

How can we improve our transparency?

CPC strives to keep our clients as informed as possible when it involves delays for results. We have developed a Daily Specimen Status report that can be delivered to the office at the end of every day. The report will include details as to the status of the specimens in process.

If you are interested in receiving this report either by fax or by secure email, please call us at the lab - 847-996-1030, Opt 1.

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