

## CHAPTER 236

**AN ACT** concerning clinical laboratories and supplementing P.L.1997, c.166 (C.45:9-42.26 et seq.).

**BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

C.45:9-42.34a Calculation of glomerular filtration rate when testing to diagnose kidney disease.

1. The director of a clinical laboratory licensed in this State pursuant to P.L.1975, c.166 (C.45:9-42.26 et seq.) shall provide that when the laboratory tests a specimen to determine a patient's serum creatinine level, as ordered or prescribed by a health care professional authorized to make such an order or prescription, the laboratory shall calculate the patient's glomerular filtration rate using such information as is provided by the health care professional or patient, as applicable. The laboratory shall include the patient's glomerular filtration rate with its report to the health care professional.

2. This act shall take effect on the 60th day after enactment.

Approved September 26, 2005.