









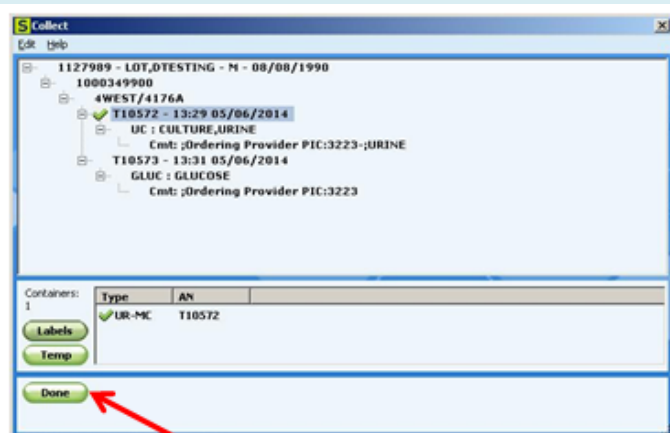
## Collection Manager Reminder

To provide the fastest turnaround times for the specimens collected with Collection Manager:

- Hit **DONE** when collection is finished and specimens are labeled
- Exit the patient record.

If these two steps aren't taken, longer turnaround times may be expected because:

- A longer process of accessioning the specimens is required, or
- The patient record is LOCKED and cannot be opened to accession the specimens



It's not DONE until you hit DONE

## Knee-High SCDs Being Stocked

All units will have their existing pairs of sequential compression devices (SCDs) swapped from:

- *existing product*: thigh-high with tear off to convert to knee-length, bin #s 98338, 98337, 98336, to
- *future product*: knee-high length, medium size (up to 26" circumference), bin # 98330

This conversion also affects OR / PACU and procedure areas using SCDs intra-operatively.

Units do not need to take any action to activate this process. Existing stock in unit storerooms will be moved to the knee-high product beginning May 28, 2014.

The Institutional Anti-Coagulation Committee and Patient Care Committee have approved the universal use of knee-high SCDs as being as effective as thigh-high devices, better tolerated by the patient, and less costly (\$24.81 vs \$46.91 per pair). House-wide estimated cost savings of this conversion = \$189,000 annually.

The existing thigh-high product and larger sizes of the knee-high product can still be ordered following the conversion on a case-by-case basis by submitting an eProcurement requisition.

### Remember:

- The most effective SCD is the one that is ON the patient.
- Please help reinforce the use of SCDs per our [VTE Prophylaxis Guidelines](#)