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**Direct access medical laboratory (Your Health Lab) opens new location in the Houston medical center.**

Houston, TX – March 26, 2003 – Have you ever wanted to monitor your health between doctor's visits? Until now, this process has been a difficult and costly one. Thankfully, there's a new lab in Houston that makes it easier than ever to take control of your health care needs.

*Your Health Lab* is a direct access laboratory that gives individuals access to laboratory tests without the hassle of going to the doctor or dealing with medical insurance.

*Your Health Lab* has been serving the Houston area since January 2002 and will be expanding to the medical center area on Fannin on Monday, April 7<sup>th</sup>. The original office is located at 9000 SW Freeway, Suite 180 (Highway 59 and Gessner) and the address for the new location is 7580 Fannin, Suite 101 (on the first floor of the Women's Medical Center). The phone number for this office will be 713-791-9252. The office hours for the new location will be Monday-Friday from 8:00AM to 5:00PM. The original office will continue to be open during these hours as well as Saturdays from 9:00AM to 3:00PM.

In the words of the founder, Dr. Leonard Gietz, the idea behind the lab is to put people in control of their own health. "Individuals have every right to receive lab results from tests on their own body," Gietz said. "Our goal from the start has been to offer people affordable, professional lab testing as conveniently as possible."

And *Your Health Lab* has followed through on this goal. No longer is it necessary to schedule an appointment to receive test results. Just drop by one of the two locations during laboratory hours and you will receive immediate service. Additionally, most tests are available within 24 hours via the website ([www.yourhealthlab.com](http://www.yourhealthlab.com)), mail, fax, or pick-up – allowing you to choose the delivery method most convenient for you.

The laboratory also recognizes how important confidentiality is for each customer. Dr. Gietz speaks very strongly on the matter. "At *Your Health Lab*, we are committed to protecting the confidentiality of each and every customer who walks through the door. It's not a matter to be taken lightly."

So how much does all of this cost? A comparative study of *Your Health Lab's* prices versus other labs showed that *Your Health Lab's* prices are about half as much as other labs in the area.

In addition to offering almost every laboratory test available in the United States, *Your Health Lab* now offers immediate results on cholesterol, lipid levels, glucose, hemoglobin, and pregnancy tests. It takes only 5 minutes to receive results for each of these tests and *Your Health Lab* offers them to individuals at the same, low prices. The laboratory also caters to individuals with insurance and a doctor's order by accepting and filing your insurance claim at no additional cost. All of these services and features combine to represent one of the newest and most innovative steps in promoting healthy living.

For complete information on *Your Health Lab* services and costs, visit the website at [www.yourhealthlab.com](http://www.yourhealthlab.com) or call James Gietz at 832-549-3142.