DAISY LAB

G. Sending DAISY Samples to the BDC Autoantibody Lab

Serum samples are sent to BDC antibody lab for antibody testing (diabetes ab's, GAA, ICA 512, and IAA). They are taken every Monday to the BDC antibody lab and placed in the -20 freezer's door shelf.

Preparation of Samples

- 1) The samples are placed in the -70 lab freezer in a box labeled "DAISY AB's" and a date (it is the date the samples will be taken). Take the 'DM Ab's tracking sheet' from the folder located in the lab. Check to see if all the samples recorded on the tracking sheet are present in the box (Make sure that there is a sufficient quantity of serum in the tube 0.75ml, minimum 0.5ml). Place a check mark on the tracking sheet for every sample checked.
- 2) Make a copy of the tracking sheet and give the copy to Iman, so that it can be filed in the "BDC binder".
- 3) Rubber band the original tracking sheet to the box (s) that will be sent. Put back the box in The freezer until it is ready to be taken over.
- 4) Label a new box with the following:

DAISY Ab's

Date (the date is the following Monday's date)

Place the new box in the freezer, and start a new tracking sheet (found in lab in 'Blank forms folder'), by placing the date (following Monday's date) on the sheet and filing it in the 'Ab's folder' in the lab.

The diabetes Ab's are not the only samples sent to BDC, samples such as QC's (See QC protocol), and samples for Tg testing are also sent (See CEDAR Preparation of TgIgA samples protocol)