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Outsourcing of Drug Cases

The GBI Crime Laboratory plans to use grant funding to outsource the analysis of a limited number of drug cases to a qualified accredited laboratory. This grant funding was made available through the Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants Program to address challenges the opioid abuse crisis has brought to the forensic science community. Outsourcing of drug cases was determined to be the most beneficial use of this grant funding in order to meet the needs of our law enforcement community.

The reports generated by the outsource vendor will be posted on our secure report website under the applicable DOFS case number. We will work with our district attorneys as needed on outsourced cases that require testimony.

Outsourcing of drug cases will begin in June. Those agencies that DO NOT give approval for their cases to be outsourced should contact me at kathy.lee@gbi.ga.gov or at 404-270-8082. A lack of response will be taken as approval to outsource.

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