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Hospital Phlebotomy Collection Tube Updates- Clinical Biochemistry

Date effective: February 4, 2025

Background Information: An important upgrade is occurring to our laboratory middleware system that will require phlebotomy collection tube updates. This is a two phase implementation with the first phase as described below.

Depending on the hospital site some tests may remain the same. Please refer to the chart below. Laboratory Information Manual (LIM) updates to occur Feb 3, 2025.

Change in Test Collection Tube:

Test	Lab Code	Sites Effected	New Collection Tube
Thyroperoxidase Antibodies	TPO	All	SST- Serum Separator tube
Parathyroid Hormone	PTHY	All- Except Westman, St. Boniface, Health Science Centre and Seven Oaks	EDTA Plasma- no gel
Parathyroid Hormone	PTHY	Westman	Lithium Heparin tube
NT proBNP	NBNP	Westman and Rural	Lithium Heparin tube
Amikacin	AMIK	Westman and Rural	Lithium Heparin- no gel tube
Methotrexate	MTX	Rural	Lithium Heparin- no gel tube
IGE	IGE	Rural	Lithium Heparin tube
Pre-Albumin	PALB	Rural	Lithium Heparin tube

System Improvements:

- Streamlining laboratory processes
- Facilitates rollout of new laboratory technology

Thank you for your cooperation as we implement these advancements.

Contact Information:

Contact your site laboratory for questions.

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