



eGFR Reporting

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Diagnostic Services of Manitoba and the Manitoba Renal Program have been working together to implement routine reporting of estimated glomerular filtration rate testing (eGFR) by clinical labs. Effective October 18, 2010, all DSM laboratories within the WRHA will automatically calculate eGFR when plasma or serum creatinine is ordered on an outpatient (excludes Emergency) or referred-in sample. Reporting of eGFR will only occur for patients over the age of 18 years, as the equation (MDRD) is not validated for use in children. **For hospital inpatients or Emergency patients, eGFR will not be reported unless specifically requested by ordering test code EGFR.**

The Manitoba Renal Program has launched the project “Raising Awareness to Improve Prevention for Manitobans with Chronic Kidney Disease” to increase awareness and access to optimal Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) prevention strategies in Manitoba through collaboration, education and sustainable partnerships.

Manitoba Renal Program is pleased to announce a new web site www.kidneyhealth.ca which provides information for both physicians and the public on Chronic Kidney Disease. Information for physicians on referral pathways is available at www.kidneyhealth.ca/referral-pathways.

Thank you kindly for your active participation in enhancing chronic kidney disease screening and prevention in Manitoba.

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