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Laboratory Bulletin

DATE:	2022 April 12
TO:	All AHS Physicians, Nurses, Directors, Managers, and all APL Lab Staff
FROM:	Point of Care Testing (POCT)
RE.	Innovatek QuickStep Plus Pregnancy Test supply shortage – Substitution product Alere Innovacon One Step Pregnancy Test

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Key Message

The current urine pregnancy testing product that is used across the province, Innovatek QuickStep Plus, requires a temporary substitution product: *Alere Innovacon One Step*. This temporary product is anticipated to be in circulation mid-April 2022 until the end of August 2022.

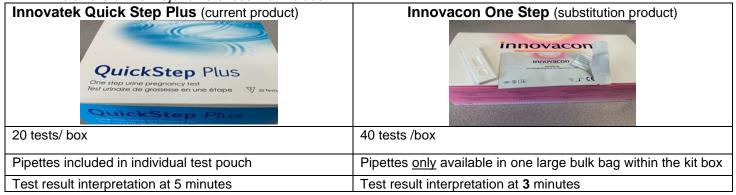
Background

Global supply chain issues have resulted in the manufacturer, Innovatek Medical, to experience a disruption in the ability to deliver the Innovatek QuickStep Plus Pregnancy Test to Alberta.

Action Required

- Be aware of this change and take the necessary steps on education and awareness of correct testing procedure and limitations of the Innovacon One Step product.
- For complete instruction and limitation please refer to: <u>Point of Care Testing | Insite (albertahealthservices.ca)</u> or contact your Zone POCT department.

• Be aware of the major differences that include:



Effective: Immediately (transition timeline to substitution product will vary across sites)

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