

<b>DATE:</b>	2022 April 12
<b>TO:</b>	All AHS Physicians, Nurses, Directors, Managers, and all APL Lab Staff
<b>FROM:</b>	Point of Care Testing (POCT)
<b>RE:</b>	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: [Point of Care Testing | Insite \(albertahealthservices.ca\)](#) or contact your Zone POCT department.
- Be aware of the major differences that include:

Innovatek Quick Step Plus (current product)	Innovacon One Step (substitution product)
	
20 tests/ box	40 tests /box
Pipettes included in individual test pouch	Pipettes <u>only</u> available in one large bulk bag within the kit box
Test result interpretation at 5 minutes	Test result interpretation at <b>3</b> minutes

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

### Questions:

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