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DATE:	16 December 2024
TO:	All Healthcare Providers
FROM:	Clinical Biochemistry, Alberta Precision Laboratories (APL)
RE:	Erythropoietin Testing: Temporary Result Delay

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Key Message

• Effective immediately, erythropoietin testing across the province is temporarily unavailable.

Background

- Due to a manufacture production issue related to temporary shortage of raw material, the reagent for this testing is unavailable until mid-January 2025 at the earliest.
 - We are working with the vendor to have testing available as soon as possible.
- As this shortage affects all testing sites in Canada that use the assay, there are challenges with referring testing to another location.

How this will impact you

- Please be aware that erythropoietin (Epic test code: LAB873) requests and results from December 6, 2024 will be delayed.
- For highly urgent cases, contact the Clinical Biochemist on call.

Questions/Concerns

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