

<b>DATE:</b>	10 June 2024
<b>TO:</b>	All Healthcare Providers, Sturgeon Community Hospital (SCH)
<b>FROM:</b>	Clinical Biochemistry, Alberta Precision Laboratories (APL)
<b>RE:</b>	<b>Addition of Vancomycin to the SCH Laboratory Test Menu</b>

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### Key Message

- Effective, Tuesday June 11, 2024, vancomycin will be added to the SCH Laboratory test menu.

### Background

- Previously, vancomycin samples were referred to the University of Alberta Hospital.
- Implementation of vancomycin on site will significantly improve turnaround time.
- Test ordering, reference interval (10.0-20.0 mg/L), and critical value (>25 mg/L) will remain the same.

### Action Required

- No action required.

### Questions/Concerns

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