

DATE:	31 October 2022
TO:	All South Zone Hospital Inpatient Wards, APL Employees and Workplace Health and Safety
FROM:	South Zone Laboratory
RE:	Blood and Body Fluid Test Code Changes for Meditech Users

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Key Message

- All Blood and Body fluid Meditech order sets for South Zone now include Hepatitis B surface antigen and Hepatitis B surface antibody tests.

Background

- The requisition for Blood and Body fluid exposure was updated to a provincial document in July 2020. The order sets in Meditech for Blood and Body fluid testing have been updated to align with this requisition.

How this will impact you

- When ordering blood work for Blood and Body fluid exposure, Hepatitis B surface antigen and Hepatitis B surface antibody testing is now included in the order sets below, and no longer require to be ordered separately. Please order the following codes based on the applicable scenario:
 - **BBFS1** (Blood and Body fluid Source patient):
 - Includes: HBSAB, HBSAG, HIV 1&2 and HCVAB
 - **BBFHCW1** (Blood and Body fluid Recipient/Exposed health care worker):
 - Includes: HBSAB, HBSAG, HIV 1&2 and HCVAB
 - **BBFC1** (Blood and Body fluid Recipient/Exposed community worker):
 - Includes: HBSAB, HBSAG, HIV 1&2 and HCVAB

Action Required

- Discontinue the practice of ordering HBSAB and HBSAG (SZE) or HBSAB1 and HBSAG2 (SZW) in addition to the above order sets when ordering Blood and Body fluid testing.

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Questions/Concerns

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