



Date: November 2, 2020
To: Lethbridge and Area Physicians, Nursing Staff and Laboratory Staff
From: Clinical Biochemistry, South Sector, Alberta Precision Laboratories (APL)
Re: Change to Reference Interval of pH Fluid

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Key Message:

- Effective **October 27, 2020**, the reference for pH Fluid will be updated to reflect the APL provincially standardized reference interval of pH Fluid: ≥ 7.200 .
- These changes will be reflected in the Lab Information System (LIS).

Why this is Important:

- Reference intervals are evidence based and have been agreed upon by the provincial reference interval harmonization working group.

Action Required:

- Please be aware of the change in reference interval.

Inquiries and feedback may be directed to:

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