

<b>DATE:</b>	2022 August 22
<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 – Product Supply Restored

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**Key Message**



- The urine pregnancy testing product used across the province, Innovatek QuickStep Plus, is no longer in short supply. It will be restored to usual circulation.

**Background**

- Due to a global supply chain shortage, a temporary substitution product was used. Supply chain issues have been resolved, and the original Innovatek QuickStep Plus Pregnancy Test product has been validated and is ready for distribution to Alberta.

**Action Required**

- Be aware of this restoration to regular product and take the necessary steps of moving the circulating substitution product to the front of carts. Any current stock of the Innovacon One Step substitution product can be used until depleted, however please ensure kits are used with corresponding instructions.

Innovatek Quick Step Plus	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 in kit box
Test result interpretation at 5 minutes	Test result interpretation at <b>3</b> minutes

**Effective 8 August 2022**

**Questions**

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