
Date: October 21, 2019
To: Bonnyville: All Physicians, Nursing Managers, Nursing Educators, Nurse Practitioners, Clinical Nurse Specialists and Laboratory Staff
From: Alberta Public Laboratories (APL)
Dr. Mireille Kattar, Regional Pathologist
Re: Bonnyville Laboratory, Beckman Access II analyzer, Troponin Reportable Range Changes – Amended

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Key Message:

- Effective August 14, 2019, the Bonnyville Health Care Centre Laboratory transitioned to a new reagent for testing Troponin on the Beckman Access II laboratory instruments.
- Information on the bulletin from August 14, 2019 is being amended as follows:
The cutoff range will change from $< 0.04 \mu\text{g/L}$ to $\leq 0.04 \mu\text{g/L}$, **this is an amendment from the previous bulletin.**

Why this is important:

- This is a difference in cutoff changing from $<0.04 \mu\text{g/L}$ to $\leq 0.04 \mu\text{g/L}$.
- This aligns with Beckman Access II instruments in the Edmonton Zone and validations completed.
- The reference interval information will be indicated on the report along with patient sample value.

Action Required:

- Familiarize yourself with the following amended range:

Bonnyville Beckman Access II Troponin Ranges	
Reference Interval	$\leq 0.04 \mu\text{g/L}$ (amended)

Inquiries and feedback may be directed to:

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