



Date: July 27, 2020
To: Calgary Physicians and Nursing Staff
From: Transfusion Medicine, South Sector, Alberta Precision Laboratories (APL)
Re: Discontinue faxing of IVIG Screening Form TM2038

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Key Message:

- Effective **July 13, 2020**, faxing of completed Immune Globulin Initiation forms (Form TM2038) will no longer be required.
- Diagnosis will be obtained when orders are submitted. For any questions, Transfusion Medicine will contact the unit.

Why this is Important:

- Further screening is not required at this time since appropriate utilization of products has been confirmed.

Background:

- This is to support the following previously distributed laboratory bulletins:
 - Provincial communication regarding IVIG Dosing:
<https://www.albertahealthservices.ca/assets/wf/lab/wf-lab-bulletin-ivig-dosing-to-be-based-on-ideal-body-weight-for-alberta-patients.pdf>
 - Calgary Zone communication regarding Ideal Body Weight requirement:
<https://www.calgarylabservices.com/files/HealthcareProfessionals/Memos/2018-04-05.pdf>
 - The online dosing calculator remains available for prescriber reference:
https://www.albertahealthservices.ca/webapps/labservices/IVIG_Dosing_Calculator.htm

Action Required:

- Do not fax Immune Globulin Initiation forms (TM2038) to Transfusion Medicine. Any TM2038 forms received will be discarded.
- Book patients for infusions according to the Day Medicine Standardized booking process.

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