



**Date:** September 21, 2020  
**To:** South Zone Physicians, Nursing Staff, and Laboratory Staff  
**From:** Clinical Biochemistry, South Sector  
**Re:** Lower Reporting Limit for Salicylate

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**Key Message:**

- Effective **September 2, 2020**, the lower reporting limit for Salicylate was changed from <0.12 mmol/L to <0.30 mmol/L.

**Why this is Important:**

- An unidentified interference on the Siemens Vista analyzers appears to be responsible for an increased number of borderline false positive results for Salicylates in the range of 0.20 mmol/L. Changing the reporting limit will prevent these low positive results.

**Action Required:**

- None at this time.
- The Meditech LIS has been updated to reflect these changes.

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