

Date: September 23, 2019
To: All AHS Roche Accu-Chek Inform II Glucose Meter Users
From: Alberta Public Laboratories (APL) Point of Care Testing
Re: New Glucose Meter Connection September 2019

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Key Message:

Between September 25 and October 15, 2019, a controlled rollover of all AHS Roche Accu-Chek Inform II glucose meters to the AegisPOC middleware will be completed. The process will occur daily until all meters are connected.

Why this is important:

In preparation for the EPIC Connect Care rollout, the Roche Accu-Chek Inform II glucose meter will be connecting into a new Point of Care Testing (POCT) middleware system: AegisPOC.

- Over the coming months, AegisPOC will be used across the province to connect all POCT devices (glucose meters, blood gas devices, etc.) into a single data management system to facilitate positive patient identification and patient test result flow into EPIC System. AegisPOC will handle comprehensive POCT quality assurance management, remote troubleshooting, and operator management.

There will be changes to:

- **Patient Information:**
 - As your facility moves into its Connect Care Wave (1-9), patient results will flow into the patient electronic record through AegisPOC. Frequent meter docking will ensure the most current patient information is downloaded onto the device. Wi-Fi connected glucose meter facilities are unaffected by this, as they have a scheduled communication through Wi-Fi.
 - There are NO changes to patient resulting before your facility Wave rollout. Continue to document patient glucose meter results using current processes until your facility Wave rollout.
- **AHS Staff:**
 - All staff must have ID badge information and working locations in the e-people (Active Directory) systems to ensure no glucose meter access disruption. Managers must ensure staff Home Working Location and Barcode ID is accurate and current in the AHS Active Directory and with APL POCT. Staff working at multiple facilities must communicate this to APL POCT and on the glucose meter training checklists.
 - Auto-recertification milestones will no longer appear on the glucose meter device. APL POCT will notify certified operators by email 90 days from their auto-recertification expiry.

There will be NO changes to:

- Glucose meter quality assurance criteria (e.g. daily QC, operator identification, positive patient identification)
- Staff auto-recertification requirements, or patient actionable requirements or result documentation

Action Required:

Be aware of the changes coming to Accu-Chek Inform II glucose meter with your facility Wave rollout. There should be no disruption of service and the glucose meter should function as usual.

Inquiries and feedback may be directed to your Zone POCT Team:

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