

Date: October 13, 2015
To: North Zone - All Physicians, Nurse Practitioners and Pharmacists (former Aspen Health Region)
From: AHS Laboratory Services – North Zone
Re: New Laboratory Requisition for North Zone

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Key Messages:

The North Zone Laboratory Requisition has been revised so that the patient/physician demographic area now displays standard Alberta Health Services format and at this time, applies only to the former Aspen Health Region. This revision consolidates two versions into one in an effort to optimize and standardize. We will work with POSP vendors to provide an on-line version of the form. Please contact ICC@albertahealthservices.ca for assistance. The form number is 19946 and will be available October 19, 2015.

Why this is important:

- Practitioners will have a standard and consistent demographic area on requisitions across the province. This is required to ensure appropriate information for patient identification.
- Laboratory test selection has been updated to include the removal of CI and CO2 as recommended by the Utilization Committee and the removal of less frequently ordered tests.
- Any tests not found on the requisition can be written in the “**Tests Not Listed**” section.

Fasting Instructions for Patients:

Fasting information can be found on the back of the two-sided form.

Action Required:

- Use up any current stock first.
- Continue to order North Zone Laboratory Requisitions as required; the new requisition will be sent as the old stock is depleted.
- They will be available in packages of 50. The new requisition should be ordered in small quantities as more changes will be coming January/February 2016.

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