

Date: February 25, 2019
To: Pincher Creek Nursing, Pincher Creek Physicians, Pincher Creek Laboratory, Pincher Creek Nursing Unit Manager, SZW Nursing Director, SZ Medical Affairs, SZ Laboratory Director
From: AHS Laboratory Services
Re: Pincher Creek Emergency Department Sysmex Poch-100i Analyzer

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Key Message:

- Effective February 27th, 2019 the Sysmex Poch-100i analyzer (Poch-i) will be live in the Pincher Creek Emergency Department as a Point of Care Testing analyzer
- Available for use by certified non-laboratory health care professionals after regular scheduled laboratory hours (2315 - 0700)
- Test menu:
 - CBC with 3 part differential (RBC, WBC, PLT, Hemoglobin, Hematocrit, Red Cell indices, and differential of Neutrophils, Lymphocytes, and Mixed WBC)

Why this is important:

- Provides additional options for laboratory testing after hours
- A small analyzer with the ability to perform lab tests in the emergency department

Action Required:

- All health care professionals utilizing the Poch-i are required to obtain and maintain certification for the Poch-i analyzer and phlebotomy
- Physician orders are required for testing
- Patient results will be printed off the Poch-i and manually charted, electronic documentation is not available at this time

Inquiries and feedback may be directed to:

- Contact your local laboratory staff with any questions
- Kristin Hobson, Point of Care Testing Tech II, kristin.hobson@albertapubliclabs.ca or 403-502-8648 ext 1578
- Jordan Koch, Pincher Creek Nursing Unit Manager at Jordan.Koch@ahs.ca or 403-627-1203

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