
Date: November 4, 2019
To: All AHS Internal and External Clients, Physicians
From: Alberta Precision Laboratories
Re: Revised, Standardized Semen Analysis Requisition

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Key Message:

- On November 4, 2019, a revised, standardized **Semen Analysis requisition** will become available for use within the province.
- **Please note:** this only affects samples that are tested in APL laboratories. This **does not** affect samples referred to the private laboratories or clinics for testing; the requisition for these samples has not changed.

Why this is important:

- The revised **Semen Analysis Requisition 20774 (Rev 2019-10)** consolidates Semen Analysis Requisition CH-0118 and Semen Analysis Requisition 20774 and should be used for Fertility Screening, Fertility Analysis and Post-Vasectomy testing requests.
- To ensure the acceptable sample is received by the laboratory, collection instructions are provided on the requisition.
- Alberta Precision Laboratories Acceptance of Laboratory Samples and Test Request Policy provides direction that proper client identification, complete and legible test request/requisition information, and correct sample collection is essential for client safety and valid laboratory test results.

Action Required:

- Effective November 4, 2019 use the revised **Semen Analysis Laboratory requisition 20774 (Rev 2019-10)** for Fertility Screening, Fertility Analysis and Post-Vasectomy testing requests.
 - The requisition is available on the APL Forms & Requisitions page:
<https://www.albertahealthservices.ca/lab/Page3320.aspx>
- Discontinue and/or discard all other versions of the Semen Analysis Requisition (20774 Rev 2017-09 and CH 0118 Rev 2015-05).
- To ensure the integrity of the information provided on the test requisition, it is important not to obscure any information provided on the requisition by placing a secondary label over that information.

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