Key Messages:

- Effective December 20, 2013, the Hematology department at Chinook Regional Hospital Laboratory will discontinue Special Coagulation testing for:
  - Lupus Anticoagulant
  - Factor VIII
  - Factor IX and
  - Prolonged PTT Investigation

- These tests will continue to be available but will be referred to Calgary Laboratory Services.

- The current test codes “LUP”, “F8A”, “F9A”, and “PTPI” will no longer be orderable in Meditech.

Action Required:

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<td>Lupus Anticoagulant is required</td>
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<td>• <strong>HEMS</strong> (Hemostasis Study) in Meditech <strong>and</strong> submit a completed CLS Special Coagulation Hemostasis Screening History Form (CLS #SC4900)</td>
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