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**From:** AHS Laboratory Services – South Zone (West)  
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**Re:** LB-09-11 Change of Performing Site for Several Urine Screen Tests  
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**Key Message:**

The analysis of several urine screen tests has been transferred from Chinook Regional Hospital Laboratory Chemistry department to Calgary Lab Services (CLS). **See the following table for details noting the revision in the “New Ordering Mnemonic” column:**

<u>Analyte</u>	<u>Previous Ordering Mnemonic</u>	<u>New Ordering Mnemonic</u>	<u>Collection Information</u>
Porphobilinogen	PORBILSUR	<b>PORBILURRO</b>	Random collection.
Porphyrin	PORSUR	<b>PORUR24</b>	24h collection (preferred collection for all ages.)
			Random collection – <b>patients &lt;16 y ONLY!</b>
5-HIAA	5HIAASUR	<b>5HIAAUR24</b>	24h collection (preferred collection for all ages.)
			Random collection – <b>patients &lt;16 y ONLY!</b>

**Why this is important:**

- CLS will report quantitative results for these analytes.
- Turn around time may be longer than current.

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