

**Date:** December 16, 2011

**To:** South Zone – West:  
ER departments and ER Physicians, Internists, Hospital Laboratories

**From:** AHS Laboratory Services

**Re:** LB-37-11 Changes to Meditech OE Baseline Cardiac Panel

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**Key Message:**

Meditech OE previously had two baseline cardiac panels, one for rural Emergency Rooms (ER) and one for Chinook Regional Hospital ER.

After consultation with Internists, there will be one orderable cardiac panel for all South Zone – West ER departments. This panel will include the following tests:

- Lytes
- Creatinine
- Glucose, random
- CK
- Troponin I
- Magnesium
- CBC
- INR
- Urea
- Lipids

**Why this is important:**

PTT has been removed as it was not deemed to be useful in a cardiac panel. Troponin I was added to the rural panel which then made the two panels the same. This standardized the ordering practise for all South Zone – West ER departments.

**Action Required:**

To order a baseline cardiac panel in a South Zone - West ER departments, the mnemonic is **CARDB**.

**Effective Date:**

Live date for the new menu changes is December 16, 2011

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