

**Date:** August 16, 2010  
**To:** South Zone - West  
Rural Nursing Unit Managers, Rural Zone NUM Director, Rural Hospital Laboratories  
**From:** AHS Laboratory Services – South Zone (West)  
Dr. B. Popma, Acting Medical Director SZ West Laboratory  
**Re:** 26-10 Transfusion Pick-Up Slips

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### Key Messages:

- Transfusion Medicine is introducing Transfusion Pick-Up slips to nursing staff in the South Zone West Rural Hospitals.
- These slips will be used when there is no requisition available and blood components or blood products are required from the Lab.
- The Transfusion Pick-Up slip will provide an area for a patient demographic label and check boxes to select the appropriate blood component or blood product required.

### Why this is important:

Lab will comply with Canadian Society for Transfusion Medicine standard 5.7.5.1:

“A written issue voucher or copy of the requisition will be provided to the Lab when blood components or blood products are required. This shall include:

- Recipient’s family and given names
- Recipient identification number
- Type of blood component or blood product and amount if applicable

### Action Required:

- Nursing will order Transfusion Pick-Up slips and use when applicable.
- Transfusion Pick-Up slips are available from stores as a pad of 100 slips, item #0006973.

### For additional questions contact:

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