

# Health Care Provider Bulletin

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## CHANGES TO LYMPHOCYTE MARKERS (CD4/CD8) TESTING [ONTARIO ONLY]

Dear Healthcare Providers,

Please be advised that **Lymphocyte Markers (CD4/CD8)** testing will transition to a new analytical platform, effective **April 6, 2026**.

### Summary of Change

CD4/CD8 testing will be performed using a new analytical platform. Microbead-based single-platform counting will replace volumetric counting, and new Flow Cytometry instrumentation will be implemented.

### Turnaround Time (TAT), Reference Ranges, and Specimen Handling

There is no change to turnaround time or reference ranges. However, testing must be performed within 48 hours of specimen collection.

We appreciate your continued trust in LifeLabs as a reliable provider for medical diagnostic needs. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact LifeLabs' Customer Care Centre at 1-877-849-3637.

Sincerely,  
LifeLabs