

Health Care Provider Bulletin

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APOLIPOPROTEIN B (APO B) REAGENT SHORTAGE

Dear Health Care Providers,

LifeLabs is currently experiencing a temporary delay in Apolipoprotein B (ApoB) testing due to a combination of **reagent supply issues** and a **significant increase in provincial demand for ApoB testing over the past several months**.

Apolipoprotein B reflects the number of atherogenic lipoprotein particles and is used to assess cardiovascular risk.

The expected turnaround time for ApoB is 24 hours; however, **due to the supply disruption, we anticipate a delay of approximately 2–3 weeks**.

ApoB samples will continue to be collected and accepted at patient service centers and physician offices. Upon receipt, samples are aliquoted and frozen until testing can be completed. **Samples are stable for up to two months when stored frozen at -20°C.** LifeLabs remains committed to providing high-quality patient care and laboratory services. Our teams are actively managing workflow and implementing mitigation strategies to minimize further impact.

If you have any questions, please contact the LifeLabs Customer Care Center at 1-877-849-3637.

Sincerely,

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