

Improvements to GP ICE Order Comms

Dear All,

As part of an on-going review of the ICE system, there will be some changes made to the Requesting module of ICE.

From 10am on 15th January you will notice the following changes:

- 1. Immunology tests will now require a Gold Top Serum tube (where a red top was previously requested), this will be indicated by the (I) suffix in the specimen collection instructions. Where possible, please ensure a separate gold is taken for Immunology as sharing of sample with other departments leads to result delays or insufficient sample for testing.
- 2. The specimen collection instructions will look similar to the examples below whereby each container description will have a department suffix:

SPECIMEN COLLECTION INSTRUCTIONS: For this request you will require:			SPECIMEN COLLECTION INSTRUCTIONS: For this request you will require:
1 x EDTA/Purple Top (H)	1 x Serum/Gold Top (I)	1 x Serum/Gold Top (B)	1 x Red top Urine (M)
SPECIMEN COLLECTION INS	TRUCTIONS: For this request you will re	quire:	
1 x Serum/Red ton (S)			

Where GP surgeries carry out their own phlebotomy, please can you ensure that all relevant staff are made aware of these changes. Staff will need to take the required amount of containers as detailed on the ICE request form.

3. Some screens have been rearranged into a more logical order and duplicate tests have been removed. The requesting tabs have also been renamed. Any tests additional to the routine bloods can now be found on each laboratory specific tab e.g. Biochemistry, Haematology, Immunology, Virology, Micro/Cell Path etc. There is also a new 'Order Set's tab which includes collections of tests. Examples are given below:



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