

Laboratory Information System Updates

Date: May 19th, 2025

Effective Date: June 15th, 2025

On June 15th, 2025, the Laboratory Information System (LIS) will be updated. Part of the update will involve changes to the Hemoglobin and Ethanol tests, as described below.

Hemoglobin

With the LIS update, there is a potential for two separate hemoglobin (HgB) results on a single patient order. The HgB from a blood gas panel will display separately from the Hematology results and will appear in the Blood Gas section. This is a newly defined reportable test and, as such, will not have any result history prior to June 15th, 2025.

Hemoglobins ordered as part of a CBC/CBCD or individually, will track with the current HgB patient history and will display as it does currently, under the Hematology section.

There is no change to the ordering of hemoglobin or its associated panels. The change will be seen on the patient report only.

Ethanol

For providers using Strong Memorial Hospital and Strong West laboratories, the test code for serum ethanol by enzymatic method, SETOH, will change to the test code, ETOH. All eRecord Lists and Sets that currently contain SETOH, will automatically update to ETOH with the LIS update.

There is no change to the test code for the Alcohol Screen (ALC) that includes Ethanol, Isopropanol, Methanol and Acetone.

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