



VCH PHC POCT Request Form

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Vendors should not contact the Clinical areas or Laboratory directly. If contacted, direct them to PHSA Supply Chain Customer Service [SCM SC@phsa.ca](mailto:SCM_SC@phsa.ca)

All point of care laboratory testing must be evaluated and approved by the Regional Multidisciplinary POCT Committee to ensure that it meets institutional goals as well as provincial and federal regulations. To expedite your request, please complete all information below. Please attach all pertinent documents to this form and submit to POCT Committee.

VCH: vchlabpoc@vch.ca PHC: phclabpoc@providencehealth.bc.ca

Upon approval, the *POCT Agreement* that outlines the roles and responsibilities between the Laboratory Medicine and Pathology and requesting clinical department will be signed for agreement prior to implementation.

A. General Information

Date	Clinical Area Requesting POCT	
Clinical Area Medical Lead	<input type="checkbox"/> POCT Agreement reviewed?	Email/contact
Clinical Area Operations Leader (or Designate)	<input type="checkbox"/> POCT Agreement reviewed?	Email/contact
End User Representative (Title, Department)	<input type="checkbox"/> POCT Agreement reviewed?	Email/contact

B. POCT Requests

Test requested:
Current method of test delivery: <input type="checkbox"/> Laboratory <input type="checkbox"/> Point of Care (proceed to Section C)
Current average lab turn-around-time from collection to result
Briefly explain how current Lab method is not meeting clinical needs:
Proposed POCT method - Name(s) of preferred test kit or device(s):
How did you learn about this test?
<input type="checkbox"/> Contacted by vendor(s) (Company & name):
<input type="checkbox"/> Journal article (citation):
<input type="checkbox"/> Conference (name of conference and date):
<input type="checkbox"/> Recommended by colleague (name & contact info):

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IT requirements (can device connect to EMR/HIS/LIS/POCT middleware): Yes No

Purpose for introducing this test:

Patient care goals. Explain:

Safety: Improved compliance with therapies:
 Shorter length of stay: Reduced risk of toxicity with therapies:
 Improved patient monitoring: Fewer call-backs:

Provides greater benefit than current system. Explain:

Rapid result (<30-60 min) improves patient care or reduces cost. Explain:

Test not currently provided by this institution.

New technology

Replacement for (test), or (instrument). Describe:

Departments / Services where POC device will be implemented (exact location):

Personnel Estimate number of potential users:
 Job categories of potential users:

Estimate of monthly test volume:	Number of devices requested
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C. Cost Benefit Analysis (Laboratory can assist)

POCT is generally more expensive than laboratory testing when cost alone is evaluated. However, cost savings can be realized when the entire episode of care is examined and enhanced patient care is considered.

Note: The funding for POCT is the responsibility of the requesting Clinical Program.

Lab cost per test		Point of Care cost per test	
Equipment		Equipment	
Labour		Labour	
Quality Assurance (Quality Control material and Proficiency Testing program)		Quality Assurance (Quality Control material and Proficiency Testing program)	
IT Connectivity/Maintenance		IT Connectivity/Maintenance	
Consumables		Consumables	
Equipment Service		Equipment Service	
Total		Total	
Comments		Comments	

Potential savings with implementation of POCT:

Have additional funds been approved for POCT request?

D. Lab use only

The POC technologist will assist in filling in the request form as completely as possible and review any available literature, kit instructions, complexity and PT availability prior to fan out of request to the POCT Committee. Attach additional documentation as required.

Introduction of established POCT into another clinical area can be fast tracked after POCT Committee approval.

- Requests for new unapproved POC devices within the Health Authority have been sent to PHSA Supply Chain at HSSBCSCMPSTeam@hssbc.ca for review. Yes No N/A
- If the vendor directly reaches out to the laboratory, they have been directed to PHSA Supply Chain Customer Service at SCM_SC@phsa.ca. Yes No N/A

The POCT Committee will review above proposal. Summary of findings

- Coordination with existing laboratory services:

- Analysis of the current service

- A cost-benefit analysis of the proposal

- Analysis of the service required

- Alternate options

Preliminary POCT Request approved Yes No **Fast-tracked, established POC**
 [Final POC approval pending formal validation studies]

VCH PHC POCT multidisciplinary committee approved Yes No

If Yes, comment:	If No, comment:
Final Outcome:	

Approvals: (i.e., Biochemist, Hematopathologist, Microbiologist, Division Team Lead, Site Supervisor, Division Head, Department Head)

Name	Title	Phone Number	Date	Signature	Agreement Form
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