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IMPORTANT PRODUCT INFORMATION For United States Customers only

Product Name	List Number	Assays
i-STAT G3+ (BLUE) cartridge	03P78-50	pH, PO ₂ , PCO ₂ , TCO ₂ *, HCO ₃ *, BE*, sO ₂ *
i-STAT 6+ (WHITE) cartridge	03P80-25	Sodium, Potassium, Chloride, Blood Urea Nitrogen (BUN), Glucose, Hematocrit, Hemoglobin*
i-STAT EC4+ (WHITE) cartridge	03P81-25	Sodium, Potassium, Glucose, Hematocrit, Hemoglobin*
i-STAT E3+ (WHITE) cartridge	03P82-25	Sodium, Potassium, Hematocrit, Hemoglobin*

*calculated

Dear Valued Abbott Point of Care Customer,

This letter contains important information regarding the i-STAT® G3+ (BLUE), 6+ (WHITE), E3+ (WHITE), and EC4+ (WHITE) cartridges noted above. If you are using these cartridges, your facility is impacted, and further review and action is required.

Abbott Point of Care is communicating this information to all potentially impacted customers in the United States (U.S.).

BACKGROUND

Abbott Point of Care has made a decision that as of May 1, 2020, it will no longer market the cartridges listed above. Abbott Point of Care is providing this information so that your facility will have sufficient time to implement alternate testing plans.

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

Facilities should transition to alternate testing methods. For facilities that have been using the G3+ (BLUE) cartridge, recommended actions are as follows:

- During the transition, clinicians and laboratory staff should be informed that the performance of the i-STAT G3+ (BLUE) cartridge has not been fully characterized by Abbott.
- Clinicians should be advised to consider a patient's signs, symptoms, history, and results of other diagnostic tests when interpreting results from these cartridges. If the results do not match the patient's clinical presentation, the patient sample should be retested using an alternate test method or a reference laboratory.
- Report any questions or concerns you have regarding the i-STAT G3+ cartridge performance to Abbott Point of Care Technical Support at 1-800-366-8020 option 1, or via email at techsvc@apoc.abbott.com.

Please confirm receipt and understanding of this communication by completing and returning the business reply form (BRF) included in this package.

If you have forwarded any i-STAT G3+ (BLUE), 6+ (WHITE), E3+ (WHITE), and EC4+ (WHITE) cartridges to another facility, we request that you please provide a copy of this letter to them.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you have any questions regarding this information or navigating the transition to an alternate testing method, please contact Abbott Point of Care Technical Support at 1-844-256-9531, or via email at apoc_productinformation@abbott.com or visit the Abbott Point of Care website (www.pointofcare.abbott).

Abbott Point of Care sincerely apologizes for any inconvenience this may create for your facility. We appreciate your understanding in this matter and are fully committed to supporting you moving forward.

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