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	<p>Policy NO.: HMC-PAA-PPG-008E(3)</p>	
<p>Title : Point Of care Testing</p>	<p>Replaces Number : Two</p>	<p>Issue Date : 11/05/2016</p>
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1. Purpose:

1.1.To ensure proper testing of specimen collected at any level that is performed and documented at the site of immediate patient care where the results are used for clinical decision making.

2. Definition:

2.1.N/A

3. Policy statement:

3.1.Doctor order must taken in verbal or written form for urgency prior to the test.

3.2.Correct patient identification prior to sample collection should be done.

3.3.Standard precautions must be practiced at all time.

3.4.Results to be documented appropriately and signed.

3.5.Ensure that all needles used are discarded into sharps container .

3.6.Result to be reported in a timely manner by ordering physician.

4. Procedures:

4.1.Urgent tests according to the physician decision.

4.2.Point of care test in case ordered verbally should be documented in communication book and signed as verbal order within 24hours of request.



4.3.Testing urine samples to be performed using urinalysis reagent strips for glucose and ketones.

4.4.Strips for glucose meter to be used for testing Fasting or Random blood Sugar.

4.5. Blood sampling for monitoring blood glucose levels must be taken from the side of the patient's finger and not the tip of the finger.

4.6.Staff should maintain their competency training and is kept up to-date.

4.7.Patient and family should be instructed through proper explanation and instruction prior to collection of urine sample.

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4.8. In collecting urine sample from an indwelling catheter, sampling parts in the tube must be used and never be taken from drainage bag.

5. Responsibility:

5.1. Physicians.

5.2. Nurses.

6. Forms:

6.1. N/A

7. References:

7.1. Policies and procedures guidelines of Home Medical Care Center, Home Medical Care Administration, Medina Munwara Region, 2016.

7.2. Policies and procedures guidelines of Home Health Care Unit, Family and Community Medicine Department at Riyadh Military Hospitals, 2014

7.3. Joint Commission International Accreditation Standards for Home Care, 2012

7.4. MOH Home Medical Care Standard, 2015

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