



Bassett Healthcare Network Bassett Medical Center

Point of Care Testing Program

The performance of a Point of Care test is virtually always more expensive than a comparable central laboratory test. Any savings usually occur outside the central laboratory at other points across the health care network and are, therefore, often difficult to predict and quantify. For that reason all costs of POC tests to the institution will be the responsibility of the service utilizing the results.

Standard POC tests available are: Glucose, Hemoglobin, Occult Blood-single card, pH, PT/INR, Rapid Strep A, Urine Pregnancy, Urinalysis dipstick and Provider Performed Microscopy Procedures.

Request for Testing

**Complete fields 1-9 of this form. Submit to:
POC Laboratory, MIBH Clinical Laboratory**

1. Requesting Site: _____ Application Date: _____

2. Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____ Fax: _____

3. Test Requested: _____ Manufacturer: _____
 - Is this a currently FDA approved and available POC test? Y N
 - Is this a new Provider Performed Microscopy (PPM) test? Y N

4. Type of Specimen:
 - Blood (fingerstick)
 - Blood (venipuncture)
 - Urine
 - Other, specify _____

5. Reason for Doing this Test:
 - Clinic location does not have a Bassett Healthcare Network Clinical Laboratory.
 - Clinical Laboratory does not offer test.
 - Clinical Laboratory cannot meet needs. Explain : _____
 - _____
 - Other, explain: _____
 - _____

6. Test Priority- Please answer the following:
 - Does your clinic/unit care for High Risk Patients? Y N
 - Is this test critical for medication adjustment/treatment? Y N
 - Will your clinic perform 20 or more tests per week? Y N
 - Is this test currently included in the POCT program? Y N
 - Estimated number of tests per week of use: _____
 - Expected days of use per year: _____

7. Comments: _____

8. Approval: _____ Denial: _____

POC Committee Review: _____

_____ Date _____

Signatures:

POC Testing Medical Director: _____ Date: _____

Clinical Director: _____ Date: _____

Bassett Healthcare Network - Point of Care Testing Program Definitions:

Competency Assessment - The validation of operator adherence to test procedures. Competency assessment may be achieved via direct observation and additionally as least one of the following: analysis of blind samples, check off lists, and/or written knowledge assessments.

Point-of Care Tests (POCT) - The analytical patient testing activities provided within the institution but performed outside the physical facilities of the clinical laboratories.

Proficiency Testing - Analysis of blind samples performed by randomly selected operators for the purpose of validating test systems. Proficiency testing may be used as a competency assessment element for the selected operators.

Quality Monitor System (QMS) - Activities and process intended to provide maximum confidence that the quality of patient care will satisfy stated or implied requirements/needs through specimen integrity and accurate test results.

Quality Control (QC) - Analysis of samples with known responses for the purposes of validating the proper performance of the test system.