



**NL Health  
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## Memorandum

**To:** All Healthcare Workers in Newfoundland and Labrador  
**From:** Public Health Microbiology Laboratory (PHML)  
**Date:** March 12 2025  
**Re:** Discontinuation of HSV 1/2 IgG Pool Testing – Temporary Referral to PHO

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Effective immediately, Euroimmun Inc. has discontinued the HSV 1/2 IgG Pool kits. As a result, all HSV 1/2 IgG Pool and HSV 2 IgG testing will be temporarily referred to Public Health Ontario (PHO) until further notice.

### Key Updates:

- **Test Availability:** HSV 1/2 IgG testing at PHML is on hold until internal validation of the new Euroimmun HSV 1 IgG assay is completed.
- **Turnaround Time (TAT):** Routine testing remains unaffected. Referred tests will have a TAT of ~1 week.
- **Ordering Instructions:**
  - Healthcare providers **MUST** order HSV 1/2 IgG testing using the mnemonic **HSV12ABG**.
  - Both HSV 1 and HSV 2 IgG will be sent to PHO for testing.

Due to Epic implementation priorities, validation of the new HSV 1 IgG assay may be delayed. A follow-up memo will be issued once testing resumes at PHML.

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