

Pathology and Laboratory Medicine Memorandum

To: Central Zone Healthcare Providers, Health Service Directors

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Subject: Change to 4.0 ml gold tubes for all inpatient and outpatient collections

For Central Zone, effective June 10, 2024, the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine will be changing the gold blood collection tube volume size from 5.0 ml to 4.0 ml for all tests requiring a gold tube.

The 4.0 ml gold blood collection tubes are available as a stock item and can be ordered directly from stores. Details below:

Tube description	Tube volume	BD#	SAP #
Gold	4.0 ml	367977	262552

Note: The 5.0 ml gold blood collection tube will be accepted while units and outpatient clinics transition to the 4.0 ml collection tube.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Denise MacKenzie at 902-473-6426.