

Example of Briefing Note

BLOOD GLUCOSE MONITORING- SKIN PUNCTURE METHOD

Policy Number: XXX.XXX.XXX

Background:

- Point of care blood glucose monitoring occurs across many care areas with SH-SS. In following the regional standard, all policies need to be reviewed every 3 years. The last review occurred in 2018. With that in mind the Medicine-Rehab policy working group undertook a review of the policy.

Key Messages:

- Consolidated the policy to link to Elsevier Clinical Skills and reference existing SH-SS policies for management of results.
- Updated educational requirements based on current Accreditation Canada standards.
- Ongoing education - the Staff Development team will add this topic to the 2025 annual education package for Nurses, as required every three years.
- Quality Check records must be retained by units/sites for a minimum of two years.

Recommendation(s)/Action Required:

- Review the policy with staff – ‘read only’ changes.
- Ensure copies of Quality Check Record are available for staff.
- Ensure Quality Check Records are kept for 2 years.
- Participate in education as offered.

Timeline:

- As soon as possible after posted in ‘Policy Update’.

If you have any questions, please contact: Taylor Swift

PURPOSE:

To provide a standardized procedure for use of the Nova StatStrip Glucose Hospital Meter system across care areas in Southern Health-Santé Sud for point of care blood glucose monitoring.