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MEMORANDUM

To: All Clyde staff using GEM 5000 Gas analysers
From: Dr Iain Jones, Consultant Clinical Biochemist
Date: 01/11/19

RE: GEM 5000 Gas analysers

Dear Colleague

Since a recent update to the GEM 5000 Gas analysers' software it would appear that results are being produced for tests that are marked as "Disabled" due to Quality Control failure.

This is not the correct behaviour for these analysers, and such results should not be acted on. This has been raised as an urgent issue to be addressed by the analyser supplier.

Until further notice if any test that is usually available on your analyser is marked as "Disabled", please change the analyser cartridge and notify the Point of Care section of the Lab by email:

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Best wishes

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