



NWT Clinical Practice Information Notice

Northwest Territories Health and Social Services

UPON RECEIPT: (1) PLEASE FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS BELOW
(2) FILE THIS NOTICE IN SECTION C, CLINICAL PRACTICE INFORMATION BINDER FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

The following clinical practice has been approved for use in the Northwest Territories Health and Social Services system, and has been distributed to:

- Hospitals
- Community Health Centers
- Public Health Units
- Doctors' Offices
- Social Services Offices
- Other: _____

The information contained in this document is a Departmental:

- Policy
- Standard
- Protocol
- Procedure
- Guidelines

Title: Rapid Point-of-Care HIV Testing (Recall)

Effective Date: July 6, 2004

Statement of approved clinical practice:

In December 2001, the NWT Laboratory Advisory Committee issued a Clinical Practice Information (CPI) Notice, along with a Decision Paper, recommending the use of Point-of-Care HIV Testing. Based on new information, this test is no longer considered current practice. **At this time, we recommend discontinuing the use of Point-of-Care HIV Testing. In addition, we would also instruct that you remove and discard the Rapid Point-of-Care HIV Testing Decision Paper.**

This clinical practice is approved by _____

(signature)

- Assistant Deputy Minister
- Chief Medical Officer of Health
- Director, Child & Family Services
- Director, Adoptions