

## **Glucometers**

SJHC's Medical Laboratory has a Point of Care Testing. General Policies that can be found here: http://sjhcweb.ca/intranet/manuals/pdf/POCT%20General%20Policies.pdf

The policy outlines that all personnel performing laboratory tests at or near the patient bedside must be trained and certified in the use of the Point of Care Testing (POCT) devices. The most commonly used device in the health centre is the glucometer.

In accordance with the policy's regulations, the Health Centre requires **Clinical Instructors who will be operating the glucometer with their students, to have an Operator's ID**. In order to do so, the Clinical Instructors must complete the training sessions held at the health centre to be certified.

Students will not be given their own ID numbers and therefore will not need to be certified. For these reasons, students must use the glucometer under the direct supervision of the Clinical Instructor or Preceptor.

The certification will be valid for one year from the training date. Subsequent to this, a refresher and competency testing will be required annually. **Student group instructor, please contact the Point of Care Specialist, sarah.kim@unityhealth.to at 416-530-6486 ext. 6282 to schedule a training session.** 

POCT modules can be accessed here: http://www.brainshark.com/novabio/gluketmol?tx=stjosephhc.