

Technical Alert

GeneXpert (45-min) SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) Test Suspended

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SUBJECT: Cepheid GeneXpert NOT available in CareLink due to supply shortage

Effective 10:00 am today, the 45 minute SARS-COV-2 (COVID-19) by RT-PCR (71793/71798) test was suspended at Queen's Punchbowl and West Oahu due to a shortage of cartridges. Resupply is uncertain.

The Abbott ID Now (15 minute) SARS-COV-2 (COVID-19) by RT-PCR (72003/72008) test is available at both laboratories. The supply status of these kits is good, but not unlimited.

Please refer any questions to DLS Client Services at 589-5101.