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This information message is sent to draw the attention of Equipment Co-ordinators to information which may be relevant to the safety of equipment and facilities in NHS Boards and Local Authorities. Please find the information below:

NHS Test and Trace is the English equivalent of the Test and Protect scheme which operates in Scotland.

NHS Test and Trace has been notified that some test kits produced by Randox Laboratories may not meet its safety standards for coronavirus testing. They have removed affected kits from use as a precautionary measure pending investigation. Further information is available on the GOV.UK website: <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/update-on-randox-test-kits>

Scotland's Test and Protect scheme does not use Randox kits and is therefore unaffected. We are not aware of affected test kits being used elsewhere in Scotland's health and social care system. However, it is possible some health boards and other care providers including care homes may have purchased their own supplies or there may be residual supplies in store rooms. We are therefore raising awareness as a precautionary measure.

Action

- Check for stocks of affected test kits
- If affected test kits are found, notify IRIC and contact your supplier for information and advice

As the Equipment Co-ordinator for your organisation, we recommend that you assess whether or not to forward this information to managers and staff within your area of responsibility who might benefit from being aware of it.

If you received this message directly from IRIC, email us at nss.irc@nhs.scot or phone 0131 275 7575 quoting the IM reference number. Alternatively, if you have received this message from someone in your own organisation, please direct all enquiries to them and they will liaise with IRIC as required.

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