

## IVD Australia Position Statement

## **Non-Medical Testing**

**IVD Australia** is committed to supporting manufacturers and distributors of pathology testing products that are included on the Australian Register of Therapeutic Goods (<u>ARTG</u>) and/or are included in the <u>Global Diagnostics Market Statistics</u> survey. These pathology tests are scientifically validated.

**IVD Australia** does not support the supply or use of test systems and technologies that may be portrayed as legitimate pathology tests, but in reality, have limited scientific evidence to support their use or results.

Examples of such tests include live blood analysis and hair analysis. These tests are not underpinned by proven, credible, established scientific or medical principles – regardless of whether they are undertaken by registered or non-registered health practitioners.

For a more comprehensive list, visit Lab Tests Online<sup>AU</sup>, Misleading or Inappropriate Tests

For more information on appropriate pathology tests, visit Lab Tests Online<sup>AU</sup>

If in doubt, refer to Lab Tests Online<sup>AU</sup> or call 1300 IVD AUS (483 287)

For more information on the importance of pathology to your health, visit <u>Know Pathology Know</u> Healthcare

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About **IVD Australia**: **IVD Australia** is the peak body representing the IVD Industry, including companies who manufacture and supply in vitro-diagnostics in Australia. In vitro, literally "in glass" diagnostics (IVDs) comprise the instruments and reagents that are used to perform pathology tests requested by General Practitioners, specialist Physicians and other healthcare practitioners. These tests are generally performed in accredited Public and Private pathology laboratories across Australia, but IVDs also include point-of-care tests such as HIV test kits, blood glucose meters for diabetes testing and home pregnancy test kits.

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