

## **UPDATE Tc-99m Generator Supply – 7 November 2019**

- Repairs to ANSTO's Mo-99 manufacturing facility (ANM) have been completed ahead of schedule.
- The facility has successfully completed a run and supported a first batch of generators for next week. ANSTO will share a separate update via our website here: <u>https://www.ansto.gov.au/business/products-and-services/health/health-products#contentcustomer-updates</u>
- All ANSTO sites will receive a generator during the week of 11 and 18 November.
- Generators will be at normal activity levels, however, some sites may receive their generator on an alternative delivery day.
- The full Tc-99m generator distribution list is published on ANSTO's website here: <u>https://www.ansto.gov.au/business/products-and-services/health/health-products#content-customer-updates</u>

As the facility returns to normal operations, ANSTO will continue to import some bulk Mo-99 to ensure coverage for all sites.

The OPAL reactor is due to undertake routine scheduled maintenance from this weekend. Plans are in place to mitigate any supply impacts.

ANSTO customer service will contact customers over the next few days with further details.

Thank you to everyone in the nuclear medicine community, and in particular the Nuclear Medicine Working Group, with representation from RAINS, ANZSNM, AANMS, NSW Health, TGA and GMS, who have helped to minimise the impact on patients across Australia during this period.

If you have any questions, please contact ANSTO directly on 1800 251 572.

Where there is sustained limited radiopharmaceutical availability, ANSTO will consult with the Nuclear Medicine Working Group on the potential ways to minimise adverse impact to the community, and will consider any recommendations when ANSTO decides how it best meets its mandate and obligations, including legal obligations.