| Potential Risk | Control Process and Risk Mitigation Strategies |
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| Interfering substances | Meter not subject to interference. Refer to evaluation report. |
| Lipemia, Hemolysis | Triglycerides <1800mg/dl no interference. Wipe away first drop of blood with dry gauze; avoid milking and squeezing of puncture site. |
| Hematocrit | 10%–65% acceptable. System checks for variations and compensates. |
| Disease contraindications: poor circulation, diabetic ketoacidosis, trauma | Review and education of meter limitations. |
| Incorrect sample volume | System detects adequate sample volume. |

Table 1. Risk assessment for samples, from the St Elizabeth Medical Center glucose meter validation study.