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| <b>DATE:</b> | 2021 November 15   |
| <b>TO:</b>   | Grande Prairie Regional Hospital and North Zone Peace Region Clinicians                    |
| <b>FROM:</b> | Anatomic pathology, North Sector, Alberta Precision Laboratories (APL)                     |
| <b>RE:</b>   | <b>Limited Anatomic pathology services available at QE II Hospital during move to GPRH</b> |

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### Key Message

- Effective November 29, 2021 to including December 3, 2021 Anatomic Pathology services at QEII Hospital will be limited to
  - intraoperative consultation using frozen section
  - cytology specimen adequacy assessment for endoscopic ultrasound fine needle aspiration procedures.
- Cancer resection specimens received after 16:15 November 19 will be sent to Dynalife Medical Labs for processing and signout
- Small biopsy surgical specimens received after 16:15 November 25 will be sent to Dynalife Medical Labs for processing and signout

### How this will impact you

- Turn around time to receive final result may increase due to offsite processing.

### Action Required

- Please plan non-urgent surgeries and procedures before November 29 or after December 3, 2021.
- We will continue to update the physicians and facility about available services during this transition period.

### Questions/Concerns

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