



DATE:	2021 November 1
TO:	Physicians, Nursing, and Laboratory Staff at Magrath Health Centre
FROM:	Alberta Precision Laboratories - Magrath Health Centre
RE:	Temporary Closure of Laboratory and X-Ray Services Magrath

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Key Message

- Effective November 1, 2021 the Magrath Health Center Hospital will temporarily close the laboratory and x-ray services due to recruitment challenges in Magrath and ongoing vacancies in surrounding communities.
- The service will return upon successful recruitment.

How this will impact you

- The safety of our patients and staff is at the heart of every decision we make. This is a temporary measure to ensure safe and high-quality care for patients and a quality work environment for staff. APL continues to look for solutions to address staffing needs.
- Combined laboratory and x-ray technologists are in high demand across the province, creating significant staffing challenges across South Zone.

Action Required

- Signage notifying patients of the closure will be posted at the site. The posters will re-direct patients to the nearest alternative site in Raymond.
- We will continue to update the physicians and facility about recruitment efforts and thank the community for their understanding during this time.

Questions/Concerns may be directed to

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