Alberta Health Services

DynaLIFE MEDICAL LABS

Laboratory Bulletin

Date: June 1, 2017
To: North Zone, Physicians, Nursing Staff, Laboratory Staff (former Peace Country Health Region)
From: AHS Laboratory Services
Re: Phenobarbital and Theophylline Testing – QEII Hospital Laboratory

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Key Messages:

- Effective June 1, 2017, Phenobarbital and Theophylline testing will no longer be performed at QEII Hospital laboratory. Due to low testing volumes, we will no longer provide this service.
- Samples for phenobarbital and theophylline testing will be sent to the DynaLIFE laboratory for analysis.
- Results for these tests will appear in the Meditech EMR as "Sample referred out for testing. See Netcare and/or paper report".
- Hardcopy report and electronic delivery of result to the physician office systems will be provided by the DynaLIFE.

Why this is important:

- A change in testing site will impact turnaround times of this test. An approximate turnaround time will be 24 hours.

Action Required:

- View phenobarbital and theophylline results in Netcare or on paper report generated from DynaLIFE.

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