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Calgary Influenza Assessment Centre opening tomorrow

CALGARY – Alberta Health Services will open an Influenza Assessment Centre (IAC) in Calgary, tomorrow at 8 a.m.

Located at Richmond Road Diagnostic & Treatment Centre, 1820 Richmond Road S.W., the Influenza Assessment Centre (IAC) will provide assessment and limited treatment services to Calgary-area residents requiring care for influenza symptoms.

The IAC will be open 7 days a week, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. and must be accessed through the main (west) entrance only. Visitors to the IAC are asked to park at the surface parking lot.

Before seeking treatment, individuals suffering from symptoms of influenza are asked to:

- visit www.albertahealthservices.ca for Self-Care information and local Influenza Assessment Centre details;
- call HealthLink Alberta for further advice on managing symptoms & accessing additional services; or
- call their family physician

Common symptoms of influenza include:

- Cough
- Fever
- Muscle aches
- Lethargy
- Lack of Appetite

For more Influenza information, visit www.albertahealthservices.ca or call Health Link Alberta toll-free at 1-866-408-5465; in the Edmonton-area at 780-408-5465; in the Calgary-area at 403-943-5465.

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