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Laboratory Bulletin

DATE:	2021 December 29
TO:	All APL Clients
FROM:	Provincial Molecular Pathology Program
RE:	Changes to BCR/ABL1 Follow-Up (quantitative) and Diagnostic (qualitative) Test Directory Pages

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Key Message

• Effective immediately, the BCR/ABL1 Diagnostic and BCR/ABL1 Follow-up APL test directory pages have been merged into a single page named BCR/ABL1 t(9;22) Translocation

Background

- Separate orders and test pages for BCR/ABL1 Diagnostic (Qualitative) and Follow-up (Quantitative) test
 have created confusion for the ordering, collection and testing
- This has also led to difficulty in resulting and reporting from EPIC/BEAKER.
- Combining the test directory pages will allow a single order to be placed in EPIC/BEAKER with the testing
 lab deciding on which test, qualitative or quantitative, is most appropriate for the patient based upon clinical
 history and previous testing

How this will impact you

- Clients ordering BCR/ABL1 Diagnostic (qualitative) or Follow-up (quantitative) testing within the EPIC/BEAKER system:
 - Order BCR/ABL1 t(9;22) Translocation
- Clients ordering BCR/ABL1 outside of the EPIC/BEAKER system:
 - Continue to order and collect as indicated on the test directory page considering whether testing will be performed at Molecular Pathology, North or at Molecular Pathology (DSC), South.

Action Required

• Follow direction provided by test directory page BCR/ABL1 t(9;22) Translocation when ordering, collecting and transporting samples for qualitative and quantitative BCR/ABL1 testing.

Effective

Immediately

Questions/Concerns

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