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# **Laboratory Bulletin**

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	Edmonton Zone, North Zone, Central Zone (excluding Hanna, Drumheller, and Three Hills) Family Physicians, Obstetrics/Gynecology, Maternal Fetal Medicine Clinic
FROM:	Alberta Precision Laboratories (APL) – North Sector, University of Alberta Hospital
RE:	Delays in Reporting First Trimester Prenatal Risk Assessment

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## **Key Message**

 Due to instrumentation problems and staffing shortages, health providers may notice a delay in reporting of first trimester prenatal risk assessment performed at the University of Alberta Hospital.

# How this will impact you

- The Biochemical Genetics Laboratory in Edmonton performs the biochemical testing, integrates with the nuchal translucency ultrasound, and issues a risk report for an euploidy (trisomy 21, 18, 13) for pregnant women in the Edmonton, North and Central zones.
- Providers may notice a delay in reporting of first trimester prenatal risk assessment performed at the University of Alberta Hospital due to instrumentation problems.

## **Action Required**

None

## Inquiries and feedback may be directed to

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