

DATE:	2021 June 28
TO:	All Zones
FROM:	Genetics and Genomics
RE:	Gastrointestinal/Polyposis Panel and Pancreatic Cancer Panel Performing Sites

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Key Message

- Effective June 1st, 2021, the Gastrointestinal/Polyposis Panel and Pancreatic Cancer Panel will be performed by the Molecular Genetics South laboratory (MGL South) for samples collected within the Calgary Zone and South Zone.
- Molecular Genetics North laboratory (MGL North) will continue to perform the Gastrointestinal/Polyposis and Pancreatic Cancer Panels for samples collected within the Edmonton Zone and North Zone.
- Samples collected for these panels within the Central Zone may be routed to either MGL North or South.

Background

- The Gastrointestinal/Polyposis Panel and Pancreatic Cancer Panel were previously performed and reported by MGL North for patients located in all provincial zones.

How this will impact you

- If a Gastrointestinal/Polyposis Panel or Pancreatic Cancer Panel is ordered for a patient located in the Calgary Zone or South Zone after June 1st, 2021, testing will be performed and reported by MGL South.
- At this time, tests reported by MGL South will not appear on Netcare and will instead be sent to the ordering clinician via fax.
- The process for ordering these panels remains unchanged. Visit the [APL Test Directory](#) for information about requisitions, collection requirements, ordering restrictions, and panel gene content.
- Panel information sheets and requisition forms are available on the [Genetics and Genomics website](#).

Action Required

- None

Effective

- June 1st, 2021

Questions/Concerns

- MGL North Laboratory Genetic Counsellors (phone: 780-407-1015)
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