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| DATE: | 2021 May 17 |
| TO: | All Zones |
| FROM: | Alberta Precision Laboratories (APL) – Genetics & Genomics |
| RE: | Genetics and Genomics Carrier Testing Funding Policy |

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Key Message

- Genetics & Genomics has developed a [policy](#) outlining when carrier testing will be publicly funded for patients with Alberta health care coverage.

Background

- In September 2020, the Genetic Resource Centre published a policy for funding out-of-province genetic carrier testing. This policy has been updated, and now applies to send-outs **and** requests for in-house carrier testing offered through Genetics & Genomics.

How this will impact you

- This policy provides information regarding when carrier testing will be publicly funded for patients with Alberta health care coverage.

Action Required

- Review the [policy](#).** For patients who are not eligible for publicly funded testing, it is the responsibility of the clinician to discuss the option of private-pay testing if deemed appropriate.

Effective

- April 19, 2021

Questions/Concerns

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