



Date: January 14, 2021
To: Alberta Physicians
From: APL Communications
Re: MyHealth Records: Lab Results Online for Patients via My Personal Records

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Key Message:

In 2021, Albertans will be able to view more lab test results in My Health Records (MHR), the single access point for Albertans' personal health information. These lab results will be viewable through the Government of Alberta's My Personal Records (MPR) application.

Starting February 1, 2021, about 95 per cent of the most commonly-ordered lab test results will be viewable, with all remaining lab tests, including more complex results in microbiology, pathology and genetics, will be available in MPR by July 1, 2021.

Lab results ordered from all sites in Alberta, including labs ordered during inpatient and emergency visits will be included in MPR.

This change is being made to provide Albertans with more access to their health information, and as an additional safety net for patient care within the system.

Once the changes are in place, new users will see an 18-month retrospective view of any lab results slated for release. Existing users will not have labs added retroactively, but they will be able to see the expanded lab results moving forward.

After the changes, patients will have immediate access to more of their own information.

Providers may notice some changes in their patterns of work, and may need to consider giving patients more information about the implications of different results when initially ordering a test. Physicians and other providers will continue to have access to results information through their usual channels, including Alberta Netcare.

For more information about lab results online, please visit [FAQ: MyHealth Records: Lab Results Online via My Personal Records](#).

To provide support and information to physicians, the Alberta Medical Association and Alberta Health Services will be hosting webinars for providers:



Webinar: Real Time Release of Labs to Patients: What This Means to Your Practice

Speakers: Dr. Allen Ausford, Dr. Brad Bahler, Dr. Jay Easaw, Dr. Rob Hayward, Dr. Nigel Flook

Date	Wednesday January 20, 2021	Wednesday January 27, 2021
Time	12:00 PM	5:00 PM
Moderator	Dr. Heidi Fell, Informatics Chair, Alberta Medical Association	Dr. Stuart Rosser, Interim Chief Medical Information Officer, Alberta Health Services
Register	https://albertadoctors.zoom.us/j/76242828282	http://ahs-cis.ca/mhrwebinar