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Date:February 8, 2021To:Royal Alexandra Hospital Neurosurgery, and Laboratory Services Personnel

From: Anatomical Pathology Laboratory Edmonton

Re: Vision-Tek M6 Digital Microscope Implementation

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Key Message:

• The Anatomical Pathology department at the Royal Alexandra Hospital (RAH) has acquired funding from the Royal Alexandra Hospital Foundation to purchase a digital microscope, the Somagen Vision-Tek M6. This microscope will aid Pathologists at RAH in collaborating with the Neuropathology service at UAH to provide intra-operative consultation.

Why this is important:

- Although the Neuropathology sub-specialty for Edmonton is located at the University of Alberta Hospital (UAH), the RAH receives neuropathology specimens for intra-operative consultation.
- Pathologists may require additional expertise in order to make a diagnosis on neuropathology specimens. The use of Digital Pathology is an asset in making time-sensitive preliminary diagnoses with no disruption to patient care.

Action Required:

• Share this information widely with all laboratory staff and Pathologists in RAH and UAH Pathology departments for awareness.

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