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**Date:** July 27, 2020  
**To:** South, Central, and North Zone Physicians, Nurses, Unit Locations  
**From:** Alberta Precision Laboratories (APL) - Microbiology  
**Re:** Availability of Rapid COVID-19 Results on Meditech

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**Key Message:**

- Effective **immediately**, rapid COVID-19 results on tests performed at Medicine Hat Regional Hospital, Chinook Regional Hospital (Lethbridge), Red Deer Regional Hospital, and Queen Elizabeth II Hospital (Grande Prairie) will be available on Meditech as soon as they are reported.
- Results will continue to be available via Netcare as well.
- Positive and indeterminate results will continue to be notified by phone to the submitting location. Negative results will no longer be notified by phone.

**Why This Is Important:**

- Due to previous IT system limitations, rapid COVID-19 results were not available on Meditech, and could only be viewed on Netcare after a delay.

**Action Required:**

- There is no change to the ordering processes or eligibility criteria for rapid COVID-19 testing.
- Please review Meditech or Netcare for rapid COVID-19 testing results.
- Routine COVID-19 testing results, performed at APL - Public Health Laboratory, will continue to be available only on Netcare.

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