

Date: September 13, 2016
To: Central Zone Physicians, Nursing Units, Diagnostic Imaging, Respiratory
From: AHS Laboratory Services Central Zone
Re: Central Zone New Non-Gynecological Cytology Requisition/General Requisition Revisions

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Key Messages:

- The Central Zone Lab Requisition has been revised to improve its functionality. Non-Gynecological Cytology has been removed.
- Locations that refer Non-Gynecological Cytology to Red Deer only:
 - A new Non-Gynecological Cytology Requisition is available for sites that refer to the Red Deer Laboratory.
 - A requisition must be completed for all Non-Gynecological Cytology samples referred to Red Deer Laboratory.
 - Facilities that use Meditech should complete the new Non-Gynecological Cytology Requisition and continue to order samples in Meditech and submit the hard copy order notice.
- Locations that refer Non-Gynecological Cytology to Edmonton will continue to use their current requisition and process.

Why this is important:

A separate requisition for Non-Gynecological Cytology is required to provide the information needed for accurate and safe sample processing and reporting. There was inadequate space to capture this information on the previous CZ Lab Requisition.

Action Required

- Begin using the new Non-Gynecological Cytology Requisition after September 15, 2016.
- The Non-Gynecological Cytology requisition will be available using your usual supply process. Form number is **20444**.
- The revised CZ Lab Requisition will replace the current stock as it is used up.
- Both requisitions are also available on the AHS Laboratory website-Forms and Requisitions.
<http://www.albertahealthservices.ca/lab/lab.aspx>

Inquiries and feedback may be directed to:

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