Date: March 23, 2020
To: Calgary Zone Physicians, Calgary Zone APL Pathologists, Calgary Zone AP Supervisors
From: Dr. Ranjit Waghray, Section Chief Anatomic Pathology, South Sector
Re: Discontinuation of Breast Implant Notification Letter

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Key Message:

• Discontinuation of Breast Implant Notification letter to physicians.
  o Currently, only the Calgary Zone Anatomic Pathology department issues a Breast Implant
    Notification Letter to notify surgeons that specimens will be kept for a finite period of time
    unless otherwise requested.
  o As of March 31, 2020, this notification letter will be discontinued. All breast implants will be
    kept as per the retention period of 8 weeks after final report.

Action Required:

• If retention of specimen is required, the surgeon must notify the Anatomic Pathology Department
  within the standard retention period. The specimen will be discarded after the retention period if
  notification otherwise not received.

Inquiries and feedback may be directed to:

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