Alberta Health Services

Laboratory Bulletin

Date: **March 20, 2018**
To: **MISERICORDIA**
Physicians, Laboratory Directors and Managers
From: **AHS Laboratory Services – Edmonton Zone**
Re: **Heparin Anti-Xa Level on-site testing delay at the MIS.**

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Key Messages:

- It has been previously announced that on-site Heparin Anti-Xa Level testing will be Live at the GNH, MIS and SGH hospitals on Mar. 20, 2018 (for reference see Laboratory Bulletin of Mar. 12, 2018).
- Due to unforeseen technical issues there will be a delay in Heparin Anti-Xa Level testing implementation on-site at the MIS, only. The new Live date at the MIS will be **Apr. 10, 2018**. The GNH and SGH will continue to go Live on Mar. 20, 2018 as originally announced.
- Until this new Live date all samples collected at the MIS will continue to be sent to the UAH for testing.

Why this is Important:

- See Laboratory Bulletin of Mar. 12, 2018: “Heparin Anti-Xa Level testing availability at the GNH, MIS and SGH”.

Action Required:

- See Laboratory Bulletin of Mar. 12, 2018: “Heparin Anti-Xa Level testing availability at the GNH, MIS and SGH”.

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