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**Date:** February 18, 2014  
**To:** Clients of the Provincial Laboratory for Public Health (for Clinical Testing)  
**From:** Provincial Laboratory for Public Health (ProvLab)  
**Re:** Update on Implementation of Cerner Millennium® Laboratory Information System (LIS)

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**Key Messages:**

- ProvLab transitioned to the Cerner Millennium® LIS on February 2, 2014.
- Cerner LIS implementation is resulting in some delays in ProvLab testing and reporting.
- We are working on a number of issues to ensure timely and appropriate reporting of results to ProvLab clients.
- Your feedback and patience in this regard is appreciated.

**Why this is important:**

- Although ProvLab's results are posting to Alberta Netcare for all patients with a Personal Health Number (PHN), a contributing factor to some of the delays in testing and reporting (for hard copy reports) includes incomplete physician/submitter information on the laboratory requisitions.

**Action required for clients submitting clinical specimens:**

- Include the complete physician/submitter information with full physician name and address on all requisitions.
- If stamps and/or identifying codes are used on requisitions for Calgary Lab Services or *DynaLIFE<sub>Dx</sub>*, please use the stamps or write the codes on ProvLab requisitions as well.

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