

DATE:	June 15, 2020
TO:	All Community Ordering Providers
FROM:	Alberta Precision Laboratories & DynaLIFE Medical Labs
RE:	Resumption of Fecal Immunochemical Testing (FIT) during COVID-19

Key Message

- Alberta Precision Laboratories (APL) and DynaLIFE will resume Fecal Immunochemical Testing (FIT) effective **Monday, June 15, 2020**.
- Please ensure patients bring their requisition when picking up and dropping off the FIT kit.
- In rural areas the FIT kits can be obtained and dropped off at the nearest lab facility.
- For all other areas patients can pick up and drop off their FIT kits at their nearest Patient Service/Care Centre (PSC/PCC). Appointments are not required.
- FIT testing is recommended for patients aged 50 – 74. Physicians should avoid ordering FIT testing on patients who do not fall within the target age range.
- Visit screeningforlife.ca for more information about cancer screening in Alberta.

Background

- As part of Alberta Health Services COVID-19 response, FIT testing was suspended in Alberta March 25, 2020.

Action Required

- FIT testing ordering may resume effective June 15, 2020
- Patients should be advised to bring their requisition and pick up their FIT kits at their nearest PSC/PCC or in rural areas, patients can obtain the FIT kit at their local lab facility.

Effective: Monday, June 15, 2020

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