

**Date:** June 3, 2014  
**To:** North Zone – Athabasca, Boyle, Lac La Biche, Smoky Lake, St. Paul, Vilna  
Physicians, Nurse managers, Laboratory Managers and Staff  
**From:** AHS Laboratory Services and DynaLIFE<sub>Dx</sub>  
**Re:** Transition of Testing - Anatomical Pathology/Clinical Pathology

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### Key Messages:

- To maintain a safe, high quality workload for a solo pathologist practice in Bonnyville, transition of testing for anatomical pathology (AP) and clinical pathology samples will occur.
- Clinical pathology samples include peripheral smear to pathologist, malarial smear review by pathologist, fluid crystals and fertility seminal fluid morphology review.

### Effective June 13, 2014,

- AP and clinical pathology samples will be referred to DynaLIFE<sub>Dx</sub>
- In the Meditech EMR, these samples will be resulted with the following comment:  
    ***“Sample referred out for testing. See Netcare and/or paper report”***
- The full report will be available by hardcopy and in Alberta Netcare
- Netcare can be accessed from the Meditech EMR by clicking the **“Netcare Link”** button on the right EMR menu bar. Clicking the button will take the user directly to that patient record in Netcare (*Alberta Netcare Portal access is required*).

### Why this is important:

- It is important to ensure a safe workload in Bonnyville for a solo pathologist practice in order to support quality patient care
- Method of reporting of results for anatomical pathology and clinical pathology will be consistent with other types of samples currently referred to DynaLIFE<sub>Dx</sub>

### Action Required:

- Call the Alberta Netcare Portal Access Enrolment line at: 1-866-756-2647 or go to:  
[www.albertanetcare.ca](http://www.albertanetcare.ca) if portal access is required and/or you wish to receive group or individual training sessions.
- New providers can arrange auto-fax report delivery from Edmonton (DynaLIFE<sub>Dx</sub>) by contacting the Data Editors at DynaLIFE<sub>Dx</sub> at: 780-451-3702 ext 8144
- Check with your Physician Office Vendor to see which electronic lab feeds you are validated for. Your vendor can request additional feeds for your system if required

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