

# **Laboratory Bulletin**

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To: South Zone West

Chinook Regional Hospital; Emergency, Admitting, All Physicians, Laboratory,

**Nursing Unit Managers** 

From: AHS Laboratory Services – South Zone (West)

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Re: LB-08-11 Referral of Stillbirth and Adult Autopsy Cases

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### **Key Messages:**

All stillbirth and paediatric autopsy cases are sent to the Alberta Children's Hospital in Calgary

All adult autopsy cases are sent to the Foothills Medical Centre in Calgary

#### For ALL autopsy cases:

- Physician requesting the autopsy must complete the Calgary Health Region consent for autopsy form
- Calgary Health Region consent for autopsy form available on the Chinook Intranet Legacy Site
  (<a href="https://chrnet.chr.ab.ca/bins/forms">https://chrnet.chr.ab.ca/bins/forms</a> search.asp?cid=4-43) or can be ordered from CRH reprographics.
  The form number is CAL-160012.
- Completed autopsy consent form is sent to CRH Emergency Admitting

#### Stillbirth & pediatric autopsy cases:

- CRH Emergency Admitting contacts the Pathology department at the Alberta Children's Hospital in Calgary to notify of case send out: 1-403-955-7305
- CRH Emergency Admitting contacts the appropriate Funeral Home for transport of the case, consent form & paperwork to & from Alberta Children's Hospital in Calgary
- Funeral Home to bill the Chinook Regional Hospital Main Laboratory

#### Adult autopsy cases:

- CRH Emergency Admitting contacts Vital Statistics at the Foothills Medical Centre in Calgary to notify of case send out:
  - 1-403-944-1689
- CRH Emergency Admitting contacts the appropriate Funeral Home for transport of the case, consent form & paperwork to & from Foothills Medical Centre in Calgary
- Funeral Home to bill the Chinook Regional Hospital Main Laboratory

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