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To: Edmonton Zone and Northern Lights Regional Health Centre (Fort McMurray)
Physicians, Long Term Care Facilities, Pharmacy Services, and Laboratory Directors
and Managers

From: AHS Laboratory Services and DynaLIFE_{Dx}

Re: 2011 Antibiograms for the Edmonton Zone and Northern Lights Regional Health Centre
(Fort McMurray)

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Key Message:

The 2011 antibiograms for the Edmonton Zone hospitals, community and for the Northern Lights Regional Health Centre (Fort McMurray) are now available.

Why this is important:

The antibiogram is an annual cumulative report of the antimicrobial susceptibility rates of common microbial pathogens to empirical antimicrobials. These reports represent the local microbial epidemiology in the Edmonton Zone and the Northern Lights Regional Health Centre and are intended to be used as a guideline to direct empiric antimicrobial therapy.

Where to find the antibiograms:

- **Links to all antibiograms may be found on the AHS Laboratory Services website at:**
<http://www.albertahealthservices.ca/3294.asp>
- **2011 antibiogram for the University of Alberta Hospital and Stollery Children's Hospital (UAH):**
<http://www.albertahealthservices.ca/LabServices/wf-lab-antibiogram-2011-uah.pdf>
A web "app" for quick reference is also available at: <http://www.antibiogram.ca/>
- **2011 antibiograms for Edmonton Zone hospitals (excluding UAH), community and Northern Lights Regional Health Centre may also be found on the DynaLIFE_{Dx} website at:**
<http://www.dynalifedx.com/HealthProfessionals/Antibiograms.aspx>

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