

Date: October 24, 2012

To: <u>North Zone – former Peace Country Health</u>: Physician Offices

From: AHS Laboratory Services

Re: Test Orders on Community Patient Requisitions

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## **Key Messages:**

Please ensure that each individual test request is clearly indicated on the requisition supplied to the community patient. Laboratory testing is no longer performed in panels and to ensure that you receive the appropriate test results, the laboratory can no longer accept Renal Panel, Liver Function Panel, Multi-organ Panel, etc. written on the requisition as a test request.

## Why this is important:

To ensure that you receive the results you need to appropriately provide care to your patients, the individual tests requested must be identified on the submitted requisition.

# Action Required:

Ensure that each test requested is indicated on the requisition given to the patient.

### Inquiries and feedback may be directed to:

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### This bulletin has been reviewed and approved by:

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