

memorandum

To: Central Zone Inpatient and Outpatient clinics, Physicians, Health Service Managers

From: Dr. Irene Sadek, Dr Bassam Nassar, Ms. Catherine Lambert, Ms. Cindy Andrews Division of Clinical Chemistry and Hematopathology (Core Laboratory)

Date: July 22, 2015

Message: Changes to the testing of outpatient routine blood samples at Cobequid Community Health Centre

On Monday August 10, 2015 the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine will start to send routine outpatient blood samples collected at the Cobequid Community Health Centre to the Mackenzie Core Laboratory to be analyzed. All tests will be ordered and specimens processed at the Cobequid Community Health Centre, in accordance with regulatory guidelines for transport of specimens. All stat, urgent and on-site clinic samples will continue to be analyzed at the Cobequid Community Health Centre Laboratory.

If you have any queries or concerns on this matter, please contact:

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We thank you for your attention.

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