



# Media Advisory

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## **Changes to laboratory and x-ray services in Lewisporte**

Central Health wishes to clarify information which was recently discussed in the news media with respect to changes to laboratory and x-ray services in Lewisporte.

Central Health has reviewed the volume of laboratory and x-ray tests that are currently processed by laboratory and x-ray services in Lewisporte. Central Health has determined that these tests can be completed at Central Newfoundland Regional Health Centre in Grand Falls-Windsor or James Paton Memorial Regional Health Centre in Gander in a timely manner.

Central Health was advised of the changes announced by the Department of Health and Community Services on prior to the official public announcement. Central Health had advised the staff members who will be impacted and were working on that day. Staff currently working in laboratory or x-ray services in Lewisporte will be accommodated within Central Health in accordance with the appropriate collective agreements.

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