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Dr. B. Gallagher
James Paton Memorial Hospital
Central West Health Corporation
Trans Canada Highway
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Re: ER-PR-HER2/neu Assessment

Dear Dr. Gallagher:

At the request of Dr. Donald Cook, Clinical Chief, Laboratory Medicine Program, St. John's Hospitals, Eastern Health, the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine at Mount Sinai Hospital is providing temporary coverage for the performance and interpretation of ER and PR receptors and HER2/neu assessment.

To refer a case, please send to my attention, a paraffin block, preferably including normal breast tissue, with the accompanying pathology report and a covering letter to include the patient's name, MCP Number and Date of Birth. The ER/PR and immunohistochemical HER2/neu assessment will be billed using the MCP number. For cases requiring FISH assessment of the HER2/neu status, the hospital will be billed \$400.00. Based on our experience, less than 20% of cases require FISH confirmation.

To expedite the reporting of results, please provide the fax number for your facility.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Brendan Mullen', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Brendan Mullen, M.D.

c.c. Dr. Donald Cook

