



MEMO

DATE: June 17, 2004
TO: All Surgeons at the Health Sciences Site
FROM: Dr. Alan Kwan
Co-Clinical Chief of Perioperative Program
RE: SPECIMEN WITHOUT CLINICAL HISTORY

Dear Colleague:

Enclosed is a memo from Dr. Ejeckam, Chairperson, Surgical Pathology Review Committee regarding pathology without adequate clinical history. This has been going on for sometime with no improvement with friendly persuasions.

This is to advise you that the history is to be completed on the pathology requisition form before the specimen goes out of the Operating Room. I have also advised the O. R. nurses to remind all physicians to do this or the specimen will not leave the Operating Suite unless the clinical history has been completed.

Thank you for your attention in this matter. Enclosed you will find a memo I received from Dr. Ejeckam which I think is quite a reasonable request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Alan Kwan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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cc: Dr. A. Felix, Chief of Divisional Surgery, St. Clare's Hospital
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