Provincial Laboratory Quality Improvement Team

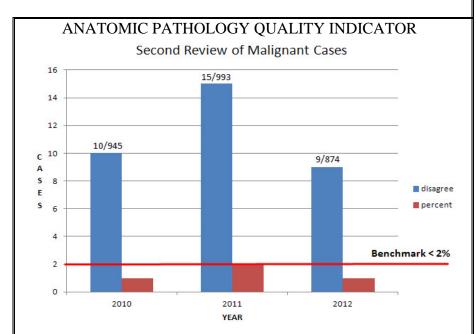
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Do you know...

- CPOE phase-2 was just implemented at PCH in June. This phase included Pathology orders for all inpatient and O.R. samples (Endoscopy and Ambulatory Care currently exempt). The Histology lab at PCH is now receiving all inpatient and OR samples, pre-ordered in PathNet. The new process for Histology staff is to log in the specimen descriptions when the specimen containers arrive in the laboratory.
- Current laboratory policy is to review SOP's every 3 years.



All malignant PCH and QEH surgical pathology cases must have a second review prior to verification (exceptions are common skin malignancies such as squamous cell and basal cell carcinoma). Disagreements in diagnoses between two Pathologists (especially major ones) should be <2%. **Major** disagreement is when patient management would change (i.e. benign vs malignant) and **Minor** disagreement would have little or no affect on patient management (i.e. grade of tumour). Of the 34 disagreements during the three year period all were minor except one.

Coming Up....

- The Accreditation Canada report will be available in October!
- An Electronic Document Control System for all Labs will be implemented across the Province this fall. Kickoff date is October 16th!
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If you have any questions on quality, please speak with your site representative on the Quality Team

