

Day 1 - April 19 - Friday			
<b>845 am Registration &amp; Coffee</b>			
900-915	Welcome		
0915-1015	Improve Collections in NICU	Dr. Brenda Van Fossen	
<b>1015-1030 Break</b>			
1030-1035	Why? #1:		
1035-1135	A basic overview of Molecular Diagnostics including information on correct collection, specimen suitability and specimen handling	Dr. Benjamin Mack	Basic overview of Molecular Diagnostics, including specimen collection, suitability and handling.
1140-1210	Electronic Lab Ordering (eOrders) - Establishing a Connected Health System	Gerome Mangubat	Sharing information with PPA Teams in BC regarding: - BC Digital Health work to establish a connected health system - eOrders: enabling digital requisitions for medical lab services - high-level updates and next steps
<b>1210-1255 Lunch</b>			
1255-1300	Why #2:		
1300-1400	Accreditation and Sample Collection	Joel Droogers	
<b>1400-1415 Break</b>			
1415-1420	Why #3:		
1420-1520	Hand Hygiene	Dr. Richard Cleve	No one doubts the effectiveness of hand hygiene, but achieving it can be difficult. We'll look at the many ways things can go wrong.
	Wrap up		
Day 2 - April 20 - Saturday			
<b>800 Registration &amp; Coffee</b>			
830-0845	Welcome and MLA Awards		
0850-0950	Building the MLA Knowledge Library: From Competency Profiles to Certification Registry	Sharmen Vigouret Lee and Sian Nuttall	The BC Society of Laboratory Science sets the entry level competencies and provincial curriculum for Medical Laboratory Assistants in BC, approves BC MLA Education Programs, and certifies Medical Laboratory Assistants. Over the past year, the BCSLS has updated the MLA Competency Profile to meet the needs of BC medical laboratories. During this presentation, we will review the processes used to update the MLA Competency Profile, provide an overview of the new Competency Profile, outline the plan for redeveloping the provincial curriculum and approval process for MLA Education Programs. We will also introduce the new Certification Registry and provide an overview on regulation of MLAs across Canada.
<b>0950-1005 Break</b>			
1005-1010	Why #4:		
1010-1110	Cracking the Dementia Code for Medical Laboratory Professionals	Karen Tyrell	With the increasing prevalence of dementia, frontline employees such as Medical Laboratory Professionals often grapple with uncertainty regarding best practices when supporting their clients displaying dementia symptoms. This session provides valuable insights into understanding dementia and offers practical guidance on effective approaches to ensure successful outcomes when working with affected clients.
1115-1215	Fun and Easy Ways to Incorporate More Movement into your Day	Elizabeth Aubrey	Demonstration of movements that can be done seated or standing. Participation by attendees encouraged but not required. Some general health tips will also be included. Attendees are welcome to ask questions at the end of our session, or contact me via email.
<b>1215-1300 Lunch</b>			
1300-1305	Why #5		
1305-1405	Food Quality Matters - Using Therapeutic Nutrition to Improve Health	Dr. Barbra Allen Bradshaw	Objectives: 1. - Understand the forces that led to our current food environment. 2. Compare traditional and western diets and understand how western diets cause disease. 3. Understand the applications and science of therapeutic low carbohydrate nutrition in the treatment of nutritional disease
<b>1405-1420 Break</b>			
1420-1425	Why #6		
1425-1325	Challenging Patients	Dr. Richard Cleve	A discussion on approaches for some difficult phlebotomy scenarios.
	Wrap up & prizes		