



Department of
Health



A Message from the Honourable Doug Currie, Minister of Health
National Medical Laboratory Week, April 19-25th, 2009

As Minister of Health, I am pleased to once again offer my support to the Canadian Society for Medical Laboratory Science (CSMLS) and the Prince Edward Island Society of Medical Technologists during the 2009 National Medical Laboratory Week.

Medical laboratory professionals are vital to the early detection and management of disease as eighty-five percent of physician's diagnosis and treatment decisions are based on laboratory test results that are performed by medical laboratory technologists and assistants across the country.

To achieve the most accurate results from lab testing, it is important that laboratory tests are performed by certified medical laboratory professionals. The CSMLS is committed to maintaining national standards and promoting excellence in the field of medical laboratory science. National certification by CSMLS ensures that the people who perform laboratory tests have the necessary knowledge, skills and expertise to produce the most accurate results.

During National Medical Laboratory Week, on behalf of the provincial government I would like to recognize the Prince Edward Island Society of Medical Technologists. The society represents over 80 medical laboratory technologists across the province who provide critical information to physicians in diagnosing and treating illnesses.

I sincerely wish the Prince Edward Island Society of Medical Technologists and the Canadian Society for Medical Laboratory Science continued success in their work.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Doug Currie'.

Hon. Doug Currie,
Minister of Health