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Memo: Introduction of our new Division Chief of Cardiac Surgery

The Libin Cardiovascular Institute of Alberta and the Department of Cardiac Sciences is very pleased to welcome Dr. Imtiaz Ali to Calgary. Dr. Ali will be the new section chief of Cardiac Surgery for the Calgary Zone of Alberta Health Services and the University of Calgary. He assumed this role on November 01, 2011. Dr. Ali completed his medical school training at Dalhousie University and began his general surgical training there as well. He obtained research training at the University of Toronto and transplantation experience at the University of Western Ontario. He completed his Cardio-Thoracic surgical training at the University of Alberta. He returned to Dalhousie University and has been a clinician-researcher in Cardiac Surgery since 1998. Dr. Ali is a highly regarded surgeon and has maintained an active clinical research career. His recent interests have been in the area of ischemic left ventricular dysfunction and surgical approaches to heart failure. He played an important role in the recently published NIH sponsored STICH trial. This study has made important observations about the role of coronary bypass and LV alteration surgery in very ill patients with coronary disease and poor ventricular function. He is also an engaged educator and has been active at the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons. He is currently on the Examination board for Cardiac Surgery. We are excited at the leadership that Dr. Ali will bring to the Department of Cardiac Sciences and look forward to exciting growth in our delivery of cardiac surgery clinical care, education and research. He is a welcome addition to our leadership team.

Warm regards,



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