BRATTLEBORO MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

2024 LAB GUIDE TEST MENU

STAT TESTING MENU FOR ED AND INPATIENTS ONLY (2 Pages) 60 Minute In-Lab Turnaround Time (TAT) Unless Further Noted

BLOOD BANK

- 1. Compatibility testing (leuko-reduced packed cells)
- 2. Type and Screen

CHEMISTRY

- 1. Ammonia
- 2. Basic Metabolic Panel: Sodium, Potassium, Chloride, CO₂, Creatinine, BUN, Glucose, and Calcium
- 3. Beta-hydroxybutyrate (ketone)
- 4. Bilirubin (Total, Neonates)
- 5. Blood Urea Nitrogen (BUN)
- 6. Calcium
- 7. Creatinine
- 8. CSF (Glucose and Protein)
- 9. Electrolytes: Sodium (Na), Potassium (K), Chloride (Cl), CO₂
- 10. Fluid pH (non-pleural)
- 11. Glucose
- 12.HCG Serum (Qualitative and Quantitative)
- 13.Iron
- 14.Lactic Acid
- 15.Lipase
- 16.Liver Panel: ALB, ALT, AST, T. Bil., Alk Phos., T. Protein, D. Bil
- 17. Magnesium
- 18. NT- Pro BNP
- 19. Therapeutic Drug Assay:

Acetaminophen Tobramycin
Digoxin Valproic Acid
Gentamycin Vancomycin
Salicylate

- 19. Troponin-T (30 min TAT)
- 20. Ethanol
- 21.Lipase

HEMATOLOGY

- 1. Cerebrospinal Fluid Cell Count
- 2. Complete Blood Count (CBC)
- 3. D-dimer
- 4. Fetal Fibronectin
- 5. Fibrinogen
- 6. Heparin, Unfractionated and Low Molecular Weight
- 7. Partial Thromboplastin Time (PTT)
- 8. Prothrombin Time (PT/INR)

MICROBIOLOGY

- 1. Spinal Fluid Culture set up and Gram Stain of sediment
- 2. STAT Gram Stains (Intra-operative)
- 3. Wet prep
- 4. Rapid Strep A Antigen Test
- 5. Rapid Influenza A & B Antigen test
- 6. Rapid RSV Antigen test
- 7. Legionella antigen on urines
- 8. Streptococcus pneumoniae antigen on urines
- 9. Sars-CoV-2/COVID-19 (90 minutes)

SEROLOGY

- 1. Monospot Test
- 2. Rapid HIV (for needlesticks and prenatal screens only)

URINALYSIS

- 1. Complete Urinalysis
- 2. Drugs of Abuse Urine Screen including Fentanyl
- 3. Urine HCG (Qualitative)

OutPatient STAT Requests

Outpatient STAT test results will be available by computer, print or fax within 2 hours of the receipt of the specimen into the lab. Fax and print servers are programmed to deliver STAT results outside of the regular schedule.

ABO GROUP AND RH TYPE

TEST NAME: ABO GROUP AND RH TYPE

CPT CODE: 86900 & 86901

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: EDTA vacutainer tube (pink top)

COLLECTION REQUIREMENT: Two unique patient identifiers, date of specimen collection

and initials of individual collecting the blood sample.

METHOD: Agglutination

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Blood Bank

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same Shift

• 30 minutes for STATs

GENERAL USE OF TEST: To identify a person's blood type for any reason:

compatibility, testing, prenatal workup.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS: Room temperature or at 1- 8°C.

ACETAMINOPHEN (TYLENOL)

ACETAMINOPHEN (TYLENOL) TEST NAME: 80302 **CPT CODE: SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:** 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube. 10-30 ug/mL **REFERENCE RANGE: CRITICAL VALUE:** >150 ug/mL **METHOD:** Colorimetric **LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST:** Chemistry **COLLECTION REQUIREMENTS:** Acetaminophen specimens should not be drawn earlier than 4 hours after ingestion. If the time of ingestion is not known, 2 or more blood samples taken at two or three hour intervals may be used to estimate acetaminophen half-life and assess toxicity. Daily or STAT **AVAILABILITY: TURNAROUND TIME:** Same shift testing. Results of specimens requested STAT will be reported within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory. Drug toxicity, monitoring therapeutic levels. **GENERAL USE OF TEST: LIMITATIONS:** Alcohol and Phenobarbital may interfere by accelerating Acetaminophen toxicity. **SPECIMEN PREPARATION:** Collect specimen using standard lab procedures. Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells within 2 hours of collection. **ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS** Samples will be capped and held for 2 days after

ALANINE AMINOTRANSFERASE (ALT OR SGPT)

TEST NAME: ALANINE AMINOTRANSFERASE (ALT or SGPT)

CPT CODE: 84460 (ALT)

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: Females < 33 U/L

Males ≤41 UL

METHOD: UV without P5P

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Liver function

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS:

Samples will be capped and held for 3 days after testing.

ALBUMIN

TEST NAME: ALBUMIN

CPT CODE: 82040 (ALB)

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: 3.5 - 5.2 g/dL

METHOD: Colorimetric (Bromocresol green)

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Nutritional status, blood oncotic pressure.

LIMITATIONS: • Albumin concentrations vary with posture.

 Results from an upright posture may be approximately 0.3 g/dL higher than those from a

recumbent posture.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS

Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after

ALKALINE PHOSPHATASE

TEST NAME: ALKALINE PHOSPHATASE

CPT CODE: 84075

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: Females: 35 – 105 IU/L

Males: 40 - 130 IU/L

METHOD: PNPP, AMP Buffer

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Liver function, bone disease.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

• Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS

Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after

AMMONIA

TEST NAME: AMMONIA

CPT CODE: 82140

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: • AMMONIA: The specimen of choice is 5 mL

lavender tube.

• Collect by standard venipuncture techniques and keep

on ice.

• Centrifuge specimen immediately.

Test immediately once cap is removed.

Store at 2° - 8°C in a tightly stoppered plain transport

tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: Females 11-51 μmol/L

Males 16-60 µmol/L

METHOD: Enzymatic with Glutamate Dehydrogenase

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: • Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

• Results of STAT specimens will be reported within 60

minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Ammonia-hepatic failure, liver necrosis and Reyes

Syndrome.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> Failure to place sample on ice after collection or failure

to promptly separate cells and plasma can result in

falsely elevated levels of ammonia.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: Centrifuge specimen and remove the plasma from cells

within 15 minutes of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Samples will be capped and held for 15 minutes after

AMYLASE

TEST NAME: AMYLASE

CPT CODE: 82150

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL tiger top tube serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: 28 - 100 U/L

METHOD: G7, PNP, Blocked

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: • Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

• Results of STAT specimens will be reported within 60

minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Pancreatitis, obstruction in pancreatic duct and

macroamylasemia.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen, separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS

Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after

ANTIBODY SCREEN

TEST NAME: ANTIBODY SCREEN (Indirect Coombs Test)

CPT CODE: 86850

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Pink EDTA vacutainer tube

COLLECTION REQUIREMENT: Two unique patient identifiers, date of specimen collection

and initials of individual collecting the blood sample.

REFERENCE RANGE: Negative

CRITICAL VALUE: Antibody detection on STAT request.

METHOD: Tube Method

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Blood Bank

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing

• 60 minutes for STATs

GENERAL USE OF TEST: To determine if sensitization to red cell antigens has

occurred. If screen is positive, antibody identification will be

performed.

PATIENT PREPARATION: An armband is required on the patient so that positive

patient identification can be established.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Samples will be capped and held for 14 days after testing.

ASPARTATE AMINOTRANSFERASE (AST or SGOT)

TEST NAME:	ASPARTATE AMINOTRANSFERASE	
	(AST or SGOT)	

CPT CODE: 84450

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: Female <32 IU/L

Male <40 IU/L

METHOD: UV without P5P

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Cardiac function or liver function.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS • Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after testing.

BASIC METABOLIC PANEL

TEST NAME:

BASIC METABOLIC PANEL

(Na, K, Cl, C0₂, Gluc, Bun, Calcium & Creatinine)

CPT CODE: 80048

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL red top tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: See individual tests

CRITICAL VALUE: See individual tests

METHOD: See individual tests

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

 Results of specimens requested STAT will be reported within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

Evaluation of various serum biochemistry constituents.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> Hemolyzed or lipemic specimens.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:• Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS

GENERAL USE OF TEST:

Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after

BETA HYDROXYBUTYRATE (QUANTITATIVE)

TEST NAME: BETA HYDROXYBUTYRATE (QUANTITATIVE)

CPT CODE: 82010

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 1 mL plasma from a green top tube (heparin).

REFERENCE RANGE: 0.02 – 0.27 mmol/L

METHOD: Enzymatic

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: • Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

• If ordered STAT, within 60 minutes of receipt in the

laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: To diagnose Diabetic Ketoacidosis (DKA) and monitor the

results of treatment.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

• Centrifuge specimen, separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS

Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after testing.

BILIRUBIN, DIRECT

TEST NAME: BILIRUBIN, DIRECT

CPT CODE: 82248

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: 0.0 – 0.3 mg/dL

METHOD: Diazotization

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Liver function test useful in the diagnosis of jaundice due to

liver disease, hemolytic anemia.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> Specimen must be protected from light.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

Room Temp: 2 days Refrigerated: 7 days

BILIRUBIN, TOTAL

BILIRUBIN, TOTAL TEST NAME: CPT CODE: 82247 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube. **SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: REFERENCE RANGE:** < 1.3 mg/dL > 13.0 mg/dL**CRITICAL VALUE** Colorimetric diazo method **METHOD:** Chemistry **LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST:** Daily **AVAILABILITY:** Same shift testing. **TURNAROUND TIME:** Liver function test useful in the diagnosis of jaundice due to **GENERAL USE OF TEST:** liver disease, hemolytic anemia. Specimen must be protected from light. **LIMITATIONS:** Collect specimen using standard lab procedures. **SPECIMEN PREPARATION:** Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells within 2 hours of collection. **ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS**

testing.

Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after

C-REACTIVE PROTEIN (High Sensitivity- Cardiac Risk)

TEST NAME: C-REACTIVE PROTEIN (High Sensitivity)

CPT CODE: 86141

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: Low Risk < 1.0 ng/dL

Average Risk 1 - 3 ng/dL

High Risk > 3 ng/dL

METHOD: Turbidimetry

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

• Results of STAT specimens will be reported within 60

minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Used in evaluation of myocardial infarction, stress, trauma,

infection, inflammation, surgery and neoplastic proliferation.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> Hemolyzed or lipemic specimens should not be used.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:• Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum from cells within 2

hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS

Samples will be held for 7 days after testing.

C-REACTIVE PROTEIN (Inflammatory)

C-REACTIVE PROTEIN (Inflammatory) TEST NAME: CPT CODE: 86140 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube. **SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: REFERENCE RANGE:** 0-5 mg/LImmunoturbidimetric **METHOD:** Chemistry **LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST:** Daily **AVAILABILITY:** Same shift testing. **TURNAROUND TIME: GENERAL USE OF TEST:** Used in evaluation of stress, trauma, infection, inflammation and surgery. Hemolyzed or lipemic specimens should not beused. **LIMITATIONS: SPECIMEN PREPARATION:** Collect specimen using standard lab procedures. Centrifuge specimen; separate serum from cells within 2 hours of collection. **ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS**

Samples will be held for 7 days after testing.

CALCIUM

TEST NAME: CALCIUM

82310 <u>CPT CODE:</u>

0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube. **SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:**

 $8.6 - 10.2 \,\text{mg/dL}$ REFERENCE RANGE:

<7.0 or >14.0 mg/dL CRITICAL VALUE:

BAPTA METHOD:

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

Daily or STAT **AVAILABILITY:**

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing

Results of specimens requested STAT will be reported

within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Evaluation of calcium metabolism.

LIMITATIONS: Recumbent patients may have 0.2 - 0.3 mg/dL lower

Blood from patients on EDTA therapy cannot be used.

Blood from patients on Hypaque radiographic

contrast agent cannot be used.

Blood collected w/stasis may have calcium

concentrations 15% higher.

Protective gloves manufactured with calcium carbonate powders may cause elevated test results because of contamination of sample handling supplies. Use powder-free gloves; handle supplies

with clean hands.

Note: Gloves labeled as powder-free may contain some contaminating powder agents on the inside of

the gloves.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS

Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after

CALCIUM, URINE

TEST NAME: CALCIUM, URINE (24 Hours)

CPT CODE: 82340

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Total 24-hour urine collected in a plastic container obtained

from the laboratory.

REFERENCE RANGE: 24-hour urine: 100 – 300 mg/TV

METHOD: BAPTA

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Evaluation of calcium excretion, parathyroid disorders, renal

tubular disease, bone disease and Vitamin Dintoxication.

PATIENT PREPARATION: Low calcium diet for 3 days.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: The specimen of choice is 24-hour collection, no

preservative, refrigerate during collection and keep

refrigerated until analysis.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after testing.

CARBAMAZEPINE

TEST NAME: CARBAMAZEPINE

(TEGRETOL)

CPT CODE: 80156

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:• 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL plain red top tube.

• Do not collect in an SST tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: 8 - 12 μg/mL

CRITICAL VALUE: >15 μg/mL

METHOD: Electroimmunoassay

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

COLLECTION REQUIREMENTS: • *Trough*: Immediately prior to next oral dose.

• Peak: Draw 3 hours after oral dose.

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing

• Results of STAT specimens will be reported within 60

minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Monitor therapeutic drug levels.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:• Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum from cells within 2

hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS• Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after testing.

CARBON DIOXIDE, TOTAL

TEST NAME: CARBON DIOXIDE, TOTAL

CPT CODE: 82374

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube. Ordered as part of

BMP or CMP

REFERENCE RANGE: 22 – 29 mmol/L

CRITICAL VALUE: <15 or >40 mmol/L

METHOD: Enzymatic

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

Results of specimens requested STAT will be reported

within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Evaluation of acid-base status.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Samples will be capped and held for 24 hours after testing.

CELL COUNT, BODY FLUID

TEST NAME: CELL COUNT, BODY FLUID

(RBC, WBC, Total Cell Count & Differential when needed)

CPT CODE: 89051

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:• 0.5 mL cerebrospinal fluid collected in sterile screw cap

tubes, which are labeled #1, #2, #3 and #4.

Cell counts will be performed on tube #4. (See

note below)

REFERENCE RANGE: 0 – 10 cells/mm³

METHOD: Manual using hemocytometer or Automated

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Hematology

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

Results of specimens requested STAT will be reported

within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Evaluation of cellular exudation into cerebral spinal space.

LIMITATIONS: If WBC is less than 10 cell/mm³, a differential will not be

performed.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Cell count must be performed immediately due to rapid cell

lysis on standing.

Note: If the physician collects 3 tubes of cerebrospinal fluid, the cell count will be done on tube #3.

CHLORIDE

TEST NAME: CHLORIDE

CPT CODE: 82435

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube. Ordered as part of

BMP or CMP.

REFERENCE RANGE: 98 – 107 mmol/L

METHOD: Ion Selective Electrode, indirect

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

• Results of specimens requested STAT will be reported

within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST:• Decrease in overhydration, chronic respiratory acidosis

and congestive heart failure.

• Increase in dehydration, renal tubular acidosis and

excessive infusion of normal saline.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> Grossly hemolyzed specimens should be rejected for

analysis.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

• Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS• Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after testing.

CHLAMYDIA TROCHOMATIS/NEISSERIA GONORRHEA/ TRICHOMONAS VAGINALIS (CT/GC/TV) PCR PANEL

TEST NAMES: Chlam//GC and Chlam/GC/TV

CPT CODE: 87491/87591/87661

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: UVE SWAB (Female genitalia) Urine (Male and Female

genitalia). See Specimen Collection Guide for details

REFERENCE RANGE: negative

METHOD: Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Microbiology

AVAILABILITY: Batched

TURNAROUND TIME: 2-3 days

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Determination of Chlamydia, Gonorrhea and

Trichomonas infection in patients with female

genitalia.

Determination of Chlamydia and Gonorrhea infection

in patients with male genitalia.

PATIENT PREPARATION: See details in Specimen Collection Guide

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Maintain at refrigerated or room temperature (2 - 30°C)

Transport to the laboratory within 2 hours.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS

Not applicable

CHOLESTEROL

TEST NAME: CHOLESTEROL

CPT CODE: 82465

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: <200 mg/dL

METHOD: Enzymatic

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Increase in inherited defect lipoprotein metabolism,

endocrine disease, renal disease and decreased liver

function impairment.

PATIENT PREPARATION: Fasting is preferred.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS

Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after testing.

The National Cholesterol Education Program (NCEP) has published reference cholesterol values for cardiovascular risk to be:

Less than 200 mg/dL	Low risk
201 – 239 mg/dL	Borderline risk
240 mg/dL and greater	High risk

CHOLESTEROL, HIGH DENSITY

TEST NAME: CHOLESTEROL, HIGH DENSITY (HDL)

CPT CODE: 83718

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL of serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: 40 - 60 mg/dL [NCEP guidelines]

METHOD: Direct measure-PEG

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Suspected coronary heart disease.

LIMITATIONS: Fasting is preferred.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS • Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after testing.

CHOLESTEROL, LDL

CHOLESTEROL, LDL **TEST NAME:** (Calculated from total cholesterol, triglyceride and

HDL cholesterol)

CPT CODE: (LDL)

1.0 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube. **SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:**

<100 mg/dL **REFERENCE RANGE:**

METHOD: Calculation: LDL Cholesterol = T cholesterol - HDL -

Triglyceride/5

Chemistry LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST:

Daily **AVAILABILITY:**

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing

Prediction of risk of coronary arterial atherosclerosis. **GENERAL USE OF TEST:**

Fasting is preferred. **PATIENT PREPARATION:**

LDL cannot be accurately calculated on samples that **LIMITATIONS:**

have triglyceride levels greater than 400 mg/dL.

Collect specimen using standard lab procedures. **SPECIMEN PREPARATION:**

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS

Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after testing.

CLOSTRIDIOIDES DIFFICILE ANTIGEN AND TOXIN

TEST NAME: CLOSTRIDIOIDES DIFFICILE ANTIGEN AND TOXIN

CPT CODE: 87324, 87449

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:• 1.0 gm/ml of fresh unformed fecal specimen collected in

a sterile 4 oz. plastic screw top container or in Cary-Blair

media.

• Formed stool will be rejected.

• >1 sample within 7 days is not recommended.

• Samples will not be accepted for "test of cure".

Samples received within 10 days of an initial positive

result will be rejected.

Patients must be >2 years of age (infants have a high

carriage rate).

REFERENCE RANGE: Negative for C. difficile Antigen and Toxin.

METHOD: Immunoassay

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Microbiology

AVAILABILITY: Daily

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Diagnosis of antibiotic-associated pseudomembranous

colitis. Both antigen and toxin are tested and

resulted.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u>
• A positive or negative result cannot, on its own,

establish the presence of C. difficile disease.

Assay does not distinguish between viable and

nonviable organisms.

This test detects but does not differentiate the NAP1

strain from other toxigenic strains of C. difficile.

SPECIMEN COLLECTION: • Stool material must be submitted. A **rectal swab** does

not provide sufficient material for testing and is **not**

acceptable.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Specimen may be stored at 2° - 8°C for up to 5 days.

COMPLETE BLOOD COUNT (CBC)

TEST NAME: COMPLETE BLOOD COUNT (CBC)

(WBC, RBC, Hgb, Hct, MCV, MCH, MCHC, RDW, MPV, PLT, Automated Differential) Manual differential performed when established criteria are met.

CPT CODE: 85025

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: • 3 mL lavender top tube (EDTA).

Minimum of 1 mL required OR 250 µL lavender

microtainer.

REFERENCE RANGE: Reference range listed on report.

CRITICAL VALUES:

TEST	"low" critical value	"high" critical value
WBC (Newborn)	< 4.0 K/µL	> 30.0 K/µL
WBC (Adult)	< 1.0 K/µL	> 20.0 K/µL
Platelets (Adult)	< 40 K/µL	None
Blasts, Differential	Present	Present
Hemoglobin, (Newborn)	< 9.7 g/dL	> 22.3 g/dL
Hematocrit, (Newborn)	< 29 %	> 67 %
Hemoglobin, (Adult)	< 8.0 g/dL	> 20.0 g/dL
Hematocrit, (Adult)	< 24 %	> 60 %

METHOD: Direct current, electrical impedance, light scatter and

fluorescence.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Hematology

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift of collection.

• STAT: 60 minutes.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Evaluation of peripheral blood parameters.

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:• Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Gently invert tube several times immediately after

collection.

Do not centrifuge.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Sample must be analyzed within 24 hours of collection when

stored at room temperature or within 72 hours when stored

at 2° - 8°C.

COMPREHENSIVE METABOLIC PANEL

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TEST NAME:	COMPREHENSIVE METABOLIC PANEL
	(Total Protein, Albumin, T. Bilirubin, Ca, Alk Phos,
	PLIN Creet AST Clue No K CL CO. Anion CAP

BUN, Creat, AST, Gluc, Na, K, Cl, CO₂, Anion GAP,

eGFR, ALT)

CPT CODE: 80053

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: See individual tests.

CRITICAL VALUES: See individual tests.

See individual tests. **METHOD:**

Chemistry **LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST:**

Daily or STAT **AVAILABILITY:**

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

If ordered STAT: 60 minutes from receipt in laboratory.

Evaluation of various serum biochemistry constituents. **GENERAL USE OF TEST:**

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Collect specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after testing.

CONSULTATION, INTRAOPERATIVE

TEST NAME: CONSULTATION, INTRAOPERATIVE (Pathology Consultation During Surgery)

CPT CODE: 88329, 88331, 88332, 88333

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Surgical tissue.

COLLECTION REQUIREMENT: Fresh tissue.

REFERENCE RANGE: Normal tissue.

METHOD: Gross and macroscopic examination; consultation.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Anatomic Pathology

AVAILABILITY: • Monday through Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM.

• Notify Pathology Aide 2 weeks prior (257-8371).

TURNAROUND TIME: 15 – 20 minutes.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: To evaluate specimen adequacy; determine course of

surgery.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Immediately deliver to Anatomic Pathology for Pathologist

examination.

CORD BLOOD EVALUATION

TEST NAME:

CORD BLOOD EVALUATION

CPT CODE:

86900 / 86901 / 86880 / 86850

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:

Special blue cap tubes.

COLLECTION REQUIREMENT:

Baby and mother's name, and identification labels, date of specimen collection on blood sample(s) and initials of individual collecting the blood sample.

REFERENCE RANGE:

Direct Coombs negative.

CRITICAL VALUE:

Direct Coombs positive.

Agglutination

AVAILABILITY: Day shift only, routine testing

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST:

TURNAROUND TIME: • Routine turnaround time is same day testing.

To determine ABO or Rh incompatibility between

mother and newborn.

GENERAL USE OF TEST:• To identify Hemolytic Disease of the Newborn (HDN). If direct antiglobulin test and/or ABO group mismatch

PATIENT PREPARATION: Obtain cord blood samples free of contamination with

Blood Bank

Wharton's Jelly.

LIMITATIONS: If blood sample is grossly contaminated with

Wharton's Jelly, the test may be invalid.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Samples will be capped and held for 14 days after testing.

CORTISOL

TEST NAME: CORTISOL

CPT CODE: 82533

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: • Morning hours 6-10 a.m.: 6.02 - 18.4 μg/dL

• Afternoon hours 4-8 p.m.: 2.68 - 10.5 μg/dL

METHOD: Electrochemiluminescence immunoassay

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Routine – Same shift

• STAT - 60 minutes

GENERAL USE OF TEST:• Diagnose human diseases which are caused by the

overproduction of cortisol in Cushing's syndrome (CS), deficiency of adrenal steroid excretion in Addison's

disease, and for therapy monitoring

LIMITATIONS: When performed in serum and plasma, the assay is

unaffected by icterus (bilirubin < 1026 μ mol/L or < 60 mg/dL), hemolysis (Hb < 1.2 mmol/L or < 1.9 g/dL), lipemia (Intralipid < 2700 mg/dL) and biotin (< 123

nmol/L or < 30 ng/mL).

Samples should not be taken from patients receiving therapy with high biotin doses (i.e. > 5 mg/day) until

at least 8 hours following the last biotin

administration. Analyte-specific antibodies, streptavidin or ruthenium, may interfere.

The time of sample collection must be taken into account when interpreting results due to the cortisol secretion circadian rhythm. Severe stress can also

give rise to elevated cortisol levels.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Samples will be capped and held for 5 days after testing.

CREATININE

TEST NAME: CREATININE

CPT CODE: 82565

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

 REFERENCE RANGE:
 Male:
 0.7 – 1.2 mg/dL

 Female:
 0.5 – 0.9 mg/dL

CRITICAL VALUE: >7.4 mg/dL

METHOD: Jaffé (Alkaline picrate-kinetic rate blanked, IFCC-IDMS)

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

Results of specimens requested STAT will be reported

within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Kidney function, shock, dehydration

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

• Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS • Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after testing.

CREATININE, 24-HOUR URINE

CREATININE, 24-HOUR URINE TEST NAME: 82570 **CPT CODE:** Total 24-hour urine collection with no preservative in a **SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:** plastic container obtained from the laboratory. **REFERENCE RANGE:** 24-hour range: Females: 800 - 2800 mg/TV Males: 1000 - 2000 mg/TV Jaffé (Alkaline picrate-kinetic rate blanked, IFCC-IDMS) **METHOD:** Chemistry **LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST:** Daily **AVAILABILITY: TURNAROUND TIME:** Same shift testing. **GENERAL USE OF TEST:** Renal function. **LIMITATIONS:** Precisely timed and completely collected specimen is necessary. No preservative necessary. Refrigerate specimen during collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS

CREATININE CLEARANCE, 24-HOUR

TEST NAME: CREATININE CLEARANCE, 24-HOUR

(Includes Serum and Urine Creatinine

Measurement)

CPT CODE: 82575

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Total 24-hour urine collection with no preservative in a

plastic container obtained from the laboratory.

REFERENCE RANGE: Male: 10 – 110 mL/min

Female: 70 - 110 mL/min

METHOD: Jaffé (Alkaline picrate-kinetic rate blanked, IFCC-IDMS)

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Glomerular filtration.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> • Precisely timed and completely collected specimen

is necessary.

• Blood collection should be drawn within 48 hours of

stated urine collection.

No preservative necessary for urine; refrigerate

specimen during collection.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect serum creatinine specimen using standard

laboratory procedures.

• Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Refrigerate at 2° - 8°C up to 3 days.

CREATINE KINASE

TEST NAME: CREATINE KINASE

CPT CODE: 82550

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: Females 26 – 192 U/L

Males 39 - 308 U/L

METHOD: NAC activated

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

Results of specimens requested STAT will be reported

within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Myocardial infarction; skeletal muscular disease.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS • Room Temp: 2 days

Refrigerated: 7 days

CROSSMATCH

TEST NAME: CROSSMATCH (COMPATIBILITY TESTING)

CPT CODE: 86922

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: EDTA vacutainer tube.

COLLECTION REQUIREMENT: Two unique patient identifiers, date of specimen collection

and initials of individual collecting the blood samples.

REFERENCE RANGE: Compatible unit.

METHOD: Agglutination.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Blood Bank

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Day shift for routines.

• Within 60 minutes for STAT requests.

GENERAL USE OF TEST:To determine compatibility of red cell units required for

transfusion. Phenotyping of blood units and the patient may

need to occur to find compatible units of blood.

PATIENT PREPARATION: A patient armband is required to establish positive patient

identification.

LIMITATIONS: Crossmatched units will only be held for 72 hours.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Samples will be capped and held for 14 days after testing.

CRYSTALS, FLUID

TEST NAME: CRYSTALS, FLUID

CPT CODE: 89060

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 2 mL fluid transferred to a lavender top tube (EDTA).

REFERENCE RANGE: No crystals seen.

METHOD: Polarization Microscopy

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Pathology consultation

AVAILABILITY: M – F 8:30 – 3:30 pm

TURNAROUND TIME: Daily on weekdays.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Identification of monosodium urate and calcium

pyrophosphate crystals.

CULTURE, BODY, FLUID

TEST NAME: CULTURE, BODY FLUID

CPT CODE: 87075/87206

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Aseptically obtained body fluid submitted in anaerobic

transport tube, anaerobic blood culture bottle or capped

syringe.

REFERENCE RANGE: Negative for aerobic and anaerobic bacteria.

METHOD: Classical culture; ID by biochemical strip.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Microbiology

AVAILABILITY: No limitations.

TURNAROUND TIME:• 48 hours for preliminary negative results

Five days for final negative results.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: To identify infections in body cavities or bursa fluid

suspected of harboring anaerobic bacteria.

PATIENT PREPARATION: Standard sterile prep of aspiration site.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: Specimen may be collected by drainage tube or by syringe

aspiration.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS• Place in sterile cup immediately after

collection.

Receipt in the lab within 1 hour of collection is

preferable.

 Maximum allowable transport is 72 hours with 2° - 8°C maintained if testing will be delayed beyond 24 hours (or

room temperature if in blood culture bottle).

CULTURE, ANAEROBIC, MISCELLANEOUS

TEST NAME: CULTURE, ANAEROBIC, MISCELLANEOUS

CPT CODE: 87075

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Swab or tissue taken from affected area submitted in

anaerobic transport tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: Subject to interpretation.

METHOD: Classical culture; ID by biochemical strip.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Microbiology

AVAILABILITY: No limitations.

TURNAROUND TIME: • 48 hours for preliminary negative results.

• 72 hours for final negative results.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: To identify infection of abscess or inflamed lesion suspected

of anaerobic colonization.

PATIENT PREPARATION: Avoid contamination from surrounding tissue.

LIMITATIONS: Aeration of specimen.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: Specimen may be collected on a sterile swab or by surgical

biopsy depending on site of lesion.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS• Place E-swab in transport media immediately after

collection.

• Receipt in the lab within 1 hour of collection is

preferable.

 Maximum allowable transport is 72 hours with 2° - 8°C maintained if testing will be delayed beyond 24 hours (or

room temperature if in blood culture bottle).

CULTURE, BLOOD ROUTINE (ADULT)

TEST NAME: CULTURE, BLOOD ROUTINE (ADULT)

CPT CODE: 87040

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:• A blood culture set consists of 2 bottles from one site –

one bottle for the aerobic culture and another bottle for the

anaerobic culture.

PATIENT/SITE PREPARATION:

• Aseptic venipuncture procedure.

Follow phlebotomy procedure

LABELING: • Follow Phlebotomy Procedure

REFERENCE RANGE: No growth.

CRITICAL VALUE: • Positive

METHOD: CO₂ detection; Bactec 9240.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING

TEST:

Microbiology

AVAILABILITY: No restrictions.

TURNAROUND TIME: Five days for negative bacterial findings.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Clinical symptoms and signs consistent with possible sepsis.

Identification of bacteria from blood.

Antimicrobial sensitivity studies of most bacterial isolates.

PATIENT PREPARATION: Cleanse venipuncture site with alcohol followed by

iodine on children less than 2 months of age. Allow iodine to sit on skin 1-2 minutes prior to

venipuncture.

Do not palpate vein after skin preparation.

LIMITATIONS: Systemic antimicrobial therapy.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS Transport to Laboratory ASAP

Do not refrigerate.

CULTURE, BLOOD (PEDIATRIC)

TEST NAME: CULTURE, BLOOD (PEDIATRIC)

CPT CODE: 87040

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Blood – 0.5 to 3.0 mL

Place blood directly into Bactec Peds Plus Bottle.

No fungal cultures on Bactec Bottle – contact Laboratory

for special tubes.

REFERENCE RANGE: No growth.

CRITICAL VALUE: Positive

METHOD: CO2 detection, Bactec 9240.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Microbiology

AVAILABILITY: No restrictions.

TURNAROUND TIME: • Five days for negative bacterial findings.

Three weeks for negative fungal findings.

GENERAL USE OF TEST:• Clinical symptoms and signs consistent with possible

sensis

• Identification of bacteria from blood.

Antimicrobial sensitivity studies of most bacterial

isolates.

PATIENT PREPARATION:• Cleanse venipuncture site with alcohol followed by

iodine on children less than 2 months of age.

• Allow iodine to sit on skin 1-2 minutes prior to

venipuncture.

Do not palpate vein after skin preparation.

LIMITATIONS: Systemic antimicrobial therapy.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: Aseptic venipuncture procedure.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS • Transport to laboratory ASAP.

Do not refrigerate.

CULTURE, FUNGUS, BODY FLUIDS

TEST NAME: CULTURE, FUNGUS BODY FLUIDS

CPT CODE: 87102

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Body fluids placed in a sterile 4 oz. plastic screw-top

container, syringe with needle removed, tube or bottle.

REFERENCE RANGE: Negative for fungal growth.

METHOD: Classical culture.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Microbiology

AVAILABILITY: • Day shift Monday – Sunday.

TURNAROUND TIME: • Culture: 4 weeks for negative report.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Establish presence of viable fungus in body fluids.

PATIENT PREPARATION: Standard sterile prep of aspiration site.

LIMITATIONS: A single negative culture does not rule out the presence

of fungal infection.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: May be aspirated by syringe or drained by tube into a sterile

container.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS Store at 2° - 8°C until tested.

CULTURE, ROUTINE BRONCHIAL OR TRACHEAL ASPIRATES

TEST NAME: CULTURE, ROUTINE

BRONCHIAL OR TRACHEAL ASPIRATES

CPT CODE: 87070

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Transtracheal aspiration or bronchoscopy specimen without

preservation (2 mL preferred but any quantity will be

acceptable) submitted in sterile transtracheal tube or sterile

bronchoscopy tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: No growth or normal respiratory flora.

METHOD: Classical Culture.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Microbiology

AVAILABILITY: No restriction.

TURNAROUND TIME: • Preliminary reports are issued at 24 hours.

Cultures with normal flora or no growth are reported

after 72 hours.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: • Diagnosis of respiratory infection.

• Isolation, identification and susceptibility testing of

significant isolates.

PATIENT PREPARATION: Standard preparation by physician.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u>
• Susceptibility testing will be performed only if

relevant.

• If anaerobes are suspected, please submit a transtracheal aspiration specimen using anaerobic

transport tube. Transtracheal aspiration is the specimen of choice and the only specimen

acceptable for anaerobic culture of the respiratory

Prior antimicrobial therapy can result in negative

findings.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Specimen collected by physician.

Specimen must be transported to the laboratory within 6

hours of collection if not refrigerated.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS Store at 2° - 8°C until tested.

CULTURE - ROUTINE, CATHETER TIP

TEST NAME: CULTURE, ROUTINE CATHETER TIP

CPT CODE: 87070

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Catheter tip segment, approximately 2 inches long,

submitted in a sterile container.

REFERENCE RANGE: No growth.

METHOD: Classical Culture.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Microbiology

AVAILABILITY: No restriction.

TURNAROUND TIME: • Culture plates read daily.

Negative reported at 72 hours.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Assess the microbiological status of the IV site and

distinguish true infection from colonization in cases of

potential line-related bacteremia.

PATIENT PREPARATION: Standard nursing prep for IV line.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> Contamination of the tip during removal can affect

results.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS Transport to laboratory within 1 hour or refrigerate at 2° -

8°C.

CULTURE - ROUTINE, CEREBROSPINAL FLUID

TEST NAME: CULTURE, ROUTINE

CEREBROSPINAL FLUID (CSF)

CPT CODE: 87070 / 87205

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Cerebrospinal fluid (2.0 mL preferred, but any quantity will

be acceptable) submitted in sterile tube (disposable spinal

tap tray is available from Central Service).

REFERENCE RANGE: No growth.

CRITICAL VALUE: Positive culture.

METHOD: Classical Culture.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Microbiology

AVAILABILITY: • No restrictions.

Gram stain performed STAT in all cases.

TURNAROUND TIME: • Stain: Available within 24 hours.

 Culture: Preliminary report issued at 24 hours and 48 hours; cultures with no growth are reported after 72 hours; reports of cultures from which pathogens are isolated require a minimum of 72 hours for completion.

Positive gram stain / culture will be reported verbally

immediately upon recognition.

GENERAL USE OF TEST:• Determine bacterial agent of CNS infection.

Gram stain, isolation, identification and susceptibility

testing of bacteria from cerebrospinal fluid.

PATIENT PREPARATION: Standard preparation of the aspiration site by physician.

LIMITATIONS: Prior antimicrobial therapy can result in negative

findings.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Specimen collected by physician.

Specimen must be transported to the laboratory ASAP.

Contamination with normal flora from skin or other body

surfaces should be avoided.

Specimen must not be refrigerated.

STORAGEREQUIREMENTS Transport to the laboratory ASAP; do not refrigerate.

CULTURE - REPRODUCTIVE (2Pages)

TEST NAME: CULTURE, ROUTINE, GENITAL SITES

CPT CODE: 87070

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:

Culturette swab or 1 mL fluid of genital area, prostatic secretions, etc.,

fluid aspiration, tissue any quantity submitted in:

REFERENCE RANGE: No growth, normal vaginal flora, normal skin flora.

METHOD: Classical Culture, see limitations below.

LAB SECTION
PERFORMING TEST:

Microbiology

AVAILABILITY: No restrictions.

TURNAROUND TIME:

- Preliminary report issued at 24 hours; cultures with no growth or with normal flora for the site are reported after 48 hours.
- No β-Strep is reported at 72 hours (pregnant females only).

GENERAL USE OF TEST:

- Determine bacterial agent of genital tractinfection.
- Isolation, identification and susceptibility testing of significant isolates.
- Refer to Vaginosis Pathogens by DNA Probe for common causes of vaginosis.

LIMITATIONS:

- Recommended test method for vaginosis is Wet Prep. Routine vaginal culture orders will be converted to Gram stain unless specific information is provided to justify the full culture. Results will be in standard graded form with vaginosis likelihood noted.
- Rapidly growing aerobic organisms that predominate may mask the presence or prevent the growth of slower growing pathogenic types.
- Susceptibility testing will be performed if relevant.
- Neisseria gonorrhoeae requires special handling.
- Please refer to the appropriate procedure in this guide.
 Anaerobic cultures on these specimens are not indicated unless specimen is obtained by needle aspiration of a thoroughly decontaminated closed site (abscess, cavity, etc.).

CULTURE, REPRODUCTIVE TEST NAME:

LIMITATIONS CONT: Prior antimicrobial therapy can result in negative

findings.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Aseptic technique.

Specimen must be transported to the laboratory within 6 hours of collection if not refrigerated.

STRAGE REQUIREMENTS Store at 2° - 8°C if testing will be delayed beyond 24 hours.

CULTURE - ROUTINE, MISCELLANEOUS SITES (2Pages)

CULTURE, ROUTINE, WOUND TEST NAME: 87070 **CPT CODE:** 2 mL or small piece of surgical tissue, biopsy material or **SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:** swab submitted in a sterile 4 oz. plastic screw-top container or culturette. Moisten tissue sample with sterile saline. No growth or normal flora. **REFERENCE RANGE:** Classical Culture. METHOD: **LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST:** Microbiology **AVAILABILITY:** No restrictions. Tissue specimens that require grinding are processed day shift; Monday - Sunday. **TURNAROUND TIME:** Preliminary report issued at 24 hours; cultures with no growth or with normal flora are reported after 48 hours. Reports on specimens from which pathogens are isolated require a minimum of 48 hours for completion. **GENERAL USE OF TEST:** Determine bacterial agent of infection. Isolation, identification and susceptibility testing of significant isolates. Sterile preparation of the aspiration or biopsy site by **PATIENT PREPARATION:** physician. **LIMITATIONS:** Only fast growing non-fastidious aerobic organisms are screened for and identified. Susceptibility testing will be performed, if relevant. If anaerobes are suspected, please submit properly collected specimen in anaerobic transporttube. Prior antimicrobial therapy can result in negative findings.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:

Specimen must be transported to the laboratory within 6

Contamination with normal flora from skin, rectum. vaginal tract or other body surfaces must be avoided.

hours of collection if not refrigerated.

TEST NAME: CULTURE, ROUTINE, MISCELLANEOUS SITES

SPECIMEN PREPARATION CONT:• Tissue/biopsy material must be kept moist by the addition of sterile saline.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS Store at 2° - 8°C if testing will be delayed beyond 24 hours.

CULTURE, ROUTINE SPUTUM (2 Pages)

TEST NAME: CULTURE, ROUTINE SPUTUM

CPT CODE: 87070

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: • 2 mL (minimum) sputum, first morning preferred.

However, any single random specimen may be

submitted.

• Only one acceptable quality specimen per day for three

consecutive days will be processed.

Submit in sterile 4 oz. plastic container.

Small number of epithelial cells

REFERENCE RANGE: Normal upper respiratory flora.

METHOD: Classical Culture.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Microbiology

AVAILABILITY: No restriction.

TURNAROUND TIME: • Preliminary reports are issued at 24 hours.

Cultures with no growth or normal flora are reported

after 48 hours.

 Reports on specimens from which pathogens are isolated require at least 48 hours for completion.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: • Diagnosis of bacterial respiratory infections.

• Identification and susceptibility testing of significant

isolates.

PATIENT PREPARATION: The patient should be instructed to remove dentures, rinse

mouth and gargle with water.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u>
• All fast growing, non-fastidious pathogenic

aerobic organisms in quantities greater than "rare" will be identified. Susceptibility testing will

be performed, if relevant.

Specimens received on patients who are unable to

produce sputum truly representing the lower

respiratory tract.

• Prior antimicrobial therapy.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Patient should be instructed to cough deeply and

expectorate sputum into container.

Specimen must be transported to laboratory within

1hour of collection if not refrigerated.

TEST NAME: CULTURE, ROUTINE SPUTUM

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS Store at 2° - 8°C until tested.

CULTURE - ROUTINE THROAT

CULTURE, ROUTINE THROAT TEST NAME: 87060 **CPT CODE: SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:** Throat 1 swab; submitted in a sterile culturette. Normal throat flora. **REFERENCE RANGE:** Classical Culture. **METHOD:** LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Microbiology No restrictions. **AVAILABILITY: TURNAROUND TIME:** Preliminary reports are issued at 24 hours. Cultures with no growth or normal flora are reported after 48 hours. Group A beta Strep may be detected at 24 or 48 hours. **GENERAL USE OF TEST:** Diagnosis of carrier state of Group A beta Strep or pharyngitis. Isolation and identification of Group A beta hemolytic Strep. H. influenzae, C albicans and predominating quantities of other potential pathogens will be noted if Susceptibility testing is not routinely performed on any isolate. Presence or absence of normal throat flora will be **LIMITATIONS:** reported. If isolation of N. gonorrhoeae is required, see Culture, Special for Neisseriagonorrhoeae. Prior antimicrobial therapy can result in negative findings. **SPECIMEN PREPARATION:** Use a tongue depressor and, with the culturette swab, firmly swab both tonsillar areas and the posterior pharynx. Specimens must be transported to the laboratory within 6 hours of collection if not refrigerated.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

Store at 2° - 8°C if testing will be delayed beyond 24 hours.

CULTURE, ROUTINE URINE (2 pages)

TEST NAME: CULTURE, ROUTINE URINE (2 pages)

CPT CODE: 87086

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 1 mL (minimum) urine submitted in a sterile 4 oz. urine

container, OR 5 mL (minimum) urine in a sterile culture

preservative tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: • No growth.

 Growth levels are subject to interpretation dependent upon actual level, number of bacterial types and mode of specimen required >100,000/cc of a single organism

is generally significant.

METHOD: Classical Culture.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Microbiology

AVAILABILITY: No submission restriction.

TURNAROUND TIME: • Preliminary reports available at 24 hours.

Cultures with no growth will be reported after 48 hours.

 Reports on specimens from which an organism has been isolated require 48 hours for completion.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: • Diagnosis of urinary tract infections.

· Quantitation, identification and susceptibility testing of

significant aerobic bacterial isolates.

PATIENT PREPARATION: Contamination with skin flora must be avoided.

LIMITATIONS:

• Anaerobic organisms will not be isolated.

 Workup of organisms is dependent on colony count, number and type of organisms in the specimen and

the collection method.

• Prior antimicrobial therapy can result in negative

findings.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Deliver to the laboratory within 2 hours of collection if

not refrigerated; within 24 hours of collection if

refrigerated.

TEST NAME: CULTURE, ROUTINE URINE

SPECIMEN PREPARATION CONT:

- Clean catch, mid-void, catheterized and suprapubic puncture specimens are to be collected as per Nursing Procedure Manual.
- Collection method **must** be indicated on the requisition.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

Store at 2° - 8°C until tested 24 hours; 48 hours at room temperature if in urine culture transport tube.

CULTURE - SPECIAL, MRSA

TEST NAME: CULTURE, SPECIAL MRSA

CPT CODE: 87081

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: • Inpatient/ED Nares – MRSA only.

Pre-Op Nares – MRSA and MSSA

REFERENCE RANGE: Negative for MRSA.

METHOD: Classical Culture (Selective Chromogenic Agar)

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Microbiology

AVAILABILITY:• No restrictions on collection or processing.

Please note limitations below.

TURNAROUND TIME: • Final report available in 24 hours.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Isolation, identification of the presence of methicillin

resistant Staphylococcus aureus.

PATIENT PREPARATION: Avoid contamination from surrounding tissue.

LIMITATIONS: • Cultures will be screened for MRSA only. No other

pathogens will be reported.

 Cultures for MRSA screening should only be ordered in conjunction with Infection Control guidelines for nosocomial control of this organism.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Nasal: swab both nares.

Submit specimens to laboratory within 6 hours of

collection if unrefrigerated.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS Store at 2° - 8°C until tested.

CULTURE – SPECIAL, THROAT FOR BETA HEMOLYTIC STREPTOCOCCI (GROUP A)

TEST NAME: CULTURE, SPECIAL, THROAT

FOR BETA HEMOLYTIC STREPTOCOCCI (Group A)

CPT CODE: 87081

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 1 swab, throat, submitted in a sterile culturette.

REFERENCE RANGE: Negative for beta hemolytic streptococci.

METHOD: Classical Culture.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Microbiology

AVAILABILITY: No restrictions.

TURNAROUND TIME: • Preliminary reports available at 24 hours.

Cultures with no beta streptococci will be reported after

48 hours.

Reports on specimens from which beta streptococci
 Group A has been isolated may require 48 hours for

completion.

GENERAL USE OF TEST:• Rule out beta streptococci Group A as a causative agent

of pharyngitis.

• Isolation and presumptive identification of Group A beta

hemolytic streptococci.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u>
• Culture will be screened for beta streptococci Group

A only and predominant growth of other Beta Strep.

• Recent use of antibacterial mouth wash.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:• Use a tongue depressor and, with the culturette swab,

firmly swab both tonsillar areas and the posterior

pharynx.

• The specimen must be transported to the laboratory

within 6 hours of collection if not refrigerated.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS Store at 2° - 8°C if testing will be delayed beyond 24 hours.

VAGINAL/RECTAL SPECIMENS FOR GROUP B BETASTREP PCR

TEST NAME: PRENATAL STREP B PCR

CPT CODE: 87653

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Moist swabs of vaginal and rectal sites submitted together.

REFERENCE RANGE: Negative.

METHOD: Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: PCR Laboratory

AVAILABILITY: No restrictions.

TURNAROUND TIME: • 48 hours

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Monitor carrier state of child-bearing females for Group B

beta strep.

LIMITATIONS: Performance of the BD MAX GBS assay was established with

vaginal- rectal specimens collected from antepartum women using swabs in non-nutritive transport medium (e.g. Amies or Stuart) and enriched in Lim Broth. Use of the BD MAX GBS assay for clinical specimen types other than those specified has not been evaluated and performance characteristics are

not established. (BD).

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: The specimen must be transported to the laboratory day of

collection and kept between 2 - 30 °C.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS Store at 2° - 30°C.

D-DIMER

TEST NAME: D-DIMER

CPT CODE: 85379

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Plasma from one full blue top tube (sodium citrate).

REFERENCE RANGE: <0.5 μg/mL FEU.

METHOD: High sensitivity latex agglutination.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Hematology

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

• STAT specimens will be reported within 60 minutes of

receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Elevated levels are seen in conditions such as pulmonary

embolism and deep vein thrombosis.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Samples will be capped and held for 3 days after testing.

DIGOXIN (LANOXIN)

TEST NAME: DIGOXIN (LANOXIN)

CPT CODE: 80162

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: 0.8 – 2.0 ng/mL

CRITICAL VALUE: >2.5 ng/mL

METHOD: Electrochemiluminescence

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

STAT specimens will be reported within 60 minutes of

receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Diagnosis of digoxin toxicity or insufficient dosage.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> Specimen collected from patient on Dig-A-Bind.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS• Samples will be capped and held for 24 hours after

testing.

DIRECT ANTIGLOBULIN (DIRECT COOMBS) TEST

TEST NAME: DIRECT ANTIGLOBULIN (Direct Coombs) TEST

CPT CODE: 86880

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: EDTA vacutainer tube

COLLECTION REQUIREMENT: Two unique patient identifiers, date of specimen collection

and initials of individual collecting the blood sample.

REFERENCE RANGE: Negative

CRITICAL VALUE: Positive test detected on cord blood or recently transfused

patient.

METHOD: Agglutination using polyspecific antihuman globulin and/or

anti-IgG and anti-C3 monospecific reagents.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Blood Bank

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Routine: Same shift testing

• STAT: 60 minutes

GENERAL USE OF TEST: • For the detection of antibody bound in vivo to the

patient's red cells.

• An eluate and/or antibody identification techniques may

be required to find the source of a positive direct

antiglobulin test.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Samples will be capped and held for 14 days after testing.

DRUGS OF ABUSE IN URINE - MEDICAL EVALUATION ONLY

TEST NAME: DRUGS OF ABUSE IN URINE

(Medical Evaluation Only)

<u>Urine Screen (Qualitative) for:</u>

PCP	Phencyclidine	25 ng/mL
BZO	Benzodiazepines	150 ng/mL
BUP	Bupenorphrine	10 ng/mL
COC	Cocaine	150 ng/mL
AMP	Amphetamines	500 ng/mL
THC	Tetrahydrocannabinol	50 ng/mL
OPI	Opiates	100 ng/mL
BAR	Barbiturates	200 ng/mL
MTHD	Methadone	200 ng/mL
MET	Methamphetamine	500 ng/mL
OXCD	Oxycodone	100 ng/mL
TCA	Tricyclics	300 ng/mL
FENT	Fentanyl	1 ng/mL

CPT CODE: 80307

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 10 mL of freshly voided urine.

REFERENCE RANGE: Negative

METHOD: Immunoassay

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: • Daily

• Use of this test is limited to medical evaluations of

patients.

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

STAT specimens will be reported within 60 minutes of

receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: This test provides **only** a preliminary test result for the

qualitative detection of the major metabolites of the noted

drugs of abuse stated above.

NOTE: A more specific alternate chemical method **must** be

used in order to obtain a confirmed quantitative result via a

Reference Laboratory.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u>
• Additional substances in the urine sample may

interfere with the test and cause erroneous results.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after testing.

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ELECTROLYTES, BLOOD

TEST NAME: ELECTROLYTES, BLOOD

(Sodium, Potassium, Chloride & Carbon Dioxide)

CPT CODE: 80051

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum separator tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: Na: 137 – 145 mmol/L

CRITICAL VALUE: Na = <125 or >160 mmol/L

K = <3.0 or >6.0 mmol/L $CO_2 = <15 \text{ or } >40 \text{ mmol/L}$

METHOD: Ion Selective Electrode, indirect

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

• STAT specimens will be resulted within 60 minutes of

receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Electrolyte balance

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> Hemolyzed specimens elevate potassium levels.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:• Collect specimens using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after testing.

ENTERIC BACTERIAL PATHOGEN PANEL

TEST NAME: ENTERIC BACTERIAL PANEL STOOL FOR ENTERIC PATHOGENS

CPT CODE: 87045

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: • 2 grams (or 2 mL) minimum fresh random stool best for

Salmonella, swab of rectal mucosa is preferred for Shigella.

Swab of stool is not acceptable.

The laboratory will process up to 3 specimens per

patient.

• Submit stool in Cary Blair medium.

REFERENCE RANGE: Negative for Shigella, ETEC, Shigatoxin, Campylobacter species and

Salmonella species

METHOD: Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)

LAB SECTION PERFORMING Microbiology

AVAILABILITY: Consult Pathologist and Infection Control for enteric pathogen

request on patients with diarrheal onset >3 days post admission.

TURNAROUND TIME: 24 – 48 hours.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: • Diagnosis of bacteria enteritis.

LIMITATIONS:

• Specimen will be routinely screened for Salmonella,
Spigella and E. coli 0157

Shigella and E. coli 0157.

• Excessive delay in processing and prior anti- microbial

therapy can result in negative findings.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Specimen must be less than 24 hours old if unrefrigerated

and in Cary Blair medium if stool (swab of stool is

unacceptable).

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS Store at 25° for 24 hours until tested. Specimens in

Cary Blair medium can be stored at room temperature

or at 2-8 degrees Celsius up to 5 days.

ERYTHROCYTE SEDIMENTATION RATE (ESR)

TEST NAME: Erythrocyte Sedimentation Rate (ESR)

CPT CODE: 85652

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 1.0 mL from a 5 mL EDTA tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: Female < 20 mm/hr

Male< 15 mm/hr

METHOD: Westergren

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Hematology

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

STAT specimens will be reported within 60 minutes of

receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: To assess acute tissue damage, chronic inflammation

of chronic infection.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> Anemias and paraproteinemias invalidate results.

Reportable range 0 - 120 mm/hr. Results higher than 120

mm/hr will be reported as >120 mm/hr.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

• Gently invert tube six times **immediately** after collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS• Specimens must be tested within 8 hours of collection if

stored at room temperature and within 12 hours if stored in

a refrigerator.

ESTRADIOL

TEST NAME: ESTRADIOL

CPT CODE: 82670

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: Male: 26 to 61 pg/mL

Non-pregnant females:

Follicular: 12-233 pg/mL Ovulation: 41-398 pg/mL Luteal: 22-341 pg/mL

Postmenopausal: <5 -138 pg/mL

METHOD: Electrochemiluminescence

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

• STAT specimens will be reported within 60 minutes of

receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Used to assess gonadal dysfunction including delayed

puberty, amenorrhea and menopause.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> Patients who have been regularly exposed to animals or

immunoglobulin fragments may produce antibodies that

interfere with immunoassays.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS • Room temperature: 12 hours

Refrigerated: 2 days.

ETHANOL

TEST NAME: ETHANOL (ALCOHOL) (Medical Evaluation Only)

CPT CODE: 80320

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL plasma from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: None detected.

METHOD: Enzymatic

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: • Daily.

Has STAT capability for ED and Inpatients only.

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

STAT specimens will be reported within 60 minutes of

receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Quantitative measurement of ethanol.

PATIENT PREPARATION: Venipuncture: Do not use alcohol prep or any other volatile

disinfectants to cleanse draw site.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:• Deliver tightly stopped tube to laboratory.

Centrifuge specimens; remove serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

Assay immediately after opening the sample tube.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS: Room Temp: 2 days

Refrigerated: 7 days

FECAL IMMUNOCHEMICAL TEST

TEST NAME: IMMUNOCHEMICAL FECAL OCCULT BLOOD (FIT) 82274 **CPT CODE:** Stool dried on FIT card **SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: REFERENCE RANGE:** Negative Immunochemical Chromatography **METHOD: LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST:** Urinalysis **AVAILABILITY:** Daily **TURNAROUND TIME:** Same shift testing Screen for lower gastrointestinal pathologies such as **GENERAL USE OF TEST:** colorectal cancers and large adenomas that bleed. Intermittently bleeding lesions and non-uniformity of **LIMITATIONS:** distribution of blood in feces. Dried specimen. Patient does not need dietary **SPECIMEN PREPARATION:** restrictions. **ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS** Not applicable.

FERRITIN

TEST NAME: FERRITIN

CPT CODE: 82728 (FERR)

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: Females (17 – 60 yrs) 13 – 150 ng/mL

Males (20 - 60 yrs) 30 - 400 ng/mL

METHOD: Electrochemiluminescence

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

GENERAL USE OF TEST:• Depletion of iron stores (anemia).

• Also aids in diagnosis of diseases affecting iron

metabolism (hemochromatosis).

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> • Patients who have been regularly exposed to

animals or immunoglobulin fragments may produce

antibodies that interfere with immunoassays.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS • Room temperature: 24 hours

Refrigerated: 7 days.

FETAL BLEED SCREEN

TEST NAME: FETAL BLEED SCREEN

CPT CODE: 85461

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: EDTA vacutainer tube

COLLECTION REQUIREMENT: Two unique patient identifiers, date of specimen collection

and initials of individual collecting the blood sample.

REFERENCE RANGE: Negative

METHOD: Immune rosetting

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Blood Bank

AVAILABILITY: Test performed with post-partum Rhogam,

TURNAROUND TIME: 24 hours

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Variable amounts of fetal blood enter the maternal

circulation at time of delivery.

In order to assure that a sufficient dose of Rh immune globulin is administered to D negative mothers who deliver

D positive babies, this screening test is performed.

LIMITATIONS: • This test can be performed ONLY on Rh negative

women.

Results from Weak D positive women will be falsely

positive.

A positive screening test needs to be followed up

with a Kleihauer-Betke test to determine the amount

of Rh immune globulin to be administered.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS• Samples will be capped and held for 4 days after

testing.

FETAL FIBRONECTIN

TEST NAME: FETAL FIBRONECTIN

CPT CODE: 82731 (FFIB)

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Specimen collected from the posterior fornix of the vagina

using the Adeza Biomedical Specimen Collection Kit.

REFERENCE RANGE: N/A

METHOD: Lateral flow, solid phase immunochromatographic assay.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Hematology

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift of collection or 60 minutes if STAT.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Detection of fetal fibronectin as an aid in assessing the risk

of pre-term delivery.

SPECIMEN COLLECTION: After collection, submerge the tip of the applicator swab in

the tube of buffer, break the shaft even with the top of the

tube, cap and push down tightly to secure the top.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u>
• Grossly bloody samples will be rejected.

 A positive result may be observed for patients with cervical disruptions caused by, but not limited to, events such as sexual intercourse, digital cervical

examination or vaginal probeultrasound.

 Results of this test should be used in conjunction with information from the clinical evaluation and

other diagnostic procedures.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS If not tested within 8 hours, refrigerate at 2° - 8°C within 3

days of collection or frozen with 3 months of collection.

FIBRINOGEN

TEST NAME: FIBRINOGEN

CPT CODE: 85384 (FIBR)

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Plasma from one full blue top tube (sodium citrate).

REFERENCE RANGE: 200 – 400 mg/dL

METHOD: Photometric detection.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Hematology

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: 60 minutes

GENERAL USE OF TEST: • Fibrinogen is an acute phase reactant as well as the

focal point in the coagulation process.

 Consumption of fibrinogen is a major and clinically threatening aspect of disseminated intravascular

coagulation.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u>
• Hemolysis, icteric or lipemic specimens.

• Incomplete filling of vacutainer tube.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:• Mix immediately after drawing.

• Centrifuge at 2500g for 10 minutes.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Samples will be capped and held for 3 days after testing.

FOLIC ACID

TEST NAME: FOLIC ACID

CPT CODE: 82746

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 1 mL serum from 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: Females: 4.8 – 37.3 ng/mL

Males: 4.5 – 32.2 ng/mL

METHOD: Electrochemiluminescence

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Folate is an essential vitamin vital to cell growth and DNA

synthesis. Folate deficiency can lead to megaloblastic anemia followed by severe neurological problems.

PATIENT PREPARATION: Fasting preferred.

LIMITATIONS: • Patient's true folate status may be masked by whole

blood transfusions.

Patients who have been regularly exposed to

animals or immunoglobulin fragments may produce antibodies that interfere with immunoassays.

INTERFERENCE: Hemolysis

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: Centrifuge and separate serum/plasma from cells

immediately after collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS

Room temperature: 2 hours

Refrigerated: 2 days.

FOLLICLE STIMULATING HORMONE

TEST NAME: FOLLICLE STIMULATING HORMONE

CPT CODE: 83001

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: FSH (mIU/mL)

Adult Male (19-65): 1.5 – 12.4 mIU/mL

Adult Female:

Normal Follicular 3.5 – 12.5 mIU/mL

Norm Pre-Ovulatory Peak 4.7 – 21.5 mIU/mL

Normal Luteal 1.7 – 7.7 mIU/mL

Post Menopausal 25.8 – 134.8 mIU/mL

METHOD: Electrochemiluminescence

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Assessment of pituitary function and to distinguish between

primary and secondary gonadal failure.

LIMITATIONS: • FSH values vary widely during the different phases

of the normal female menstrual cycle.

 Patients who have been regularly exposed to animals or immunoglobulin fragments may produce

antibodies that interfere with immunoassays.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS

Samples will be capped and held for 2 days after testing.

FRESH FROZEN PLASMA (FFP)

TEST NAME: FRESH FROZEN PLASMA (FFP)

CPT CODE: P9017

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Pink EDTA vacutainer tube if blood type is not on file.

Two unique patient identifiers, date of specimen collection **COLLECTION REQUIREMENT:**

and initials of individual collecting the blood sample.

Thawing is performed using a 37°C water bath. **METHOD:**

Blood Bank LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST:

AVAILABILITY: STAT on all 3 shifts (call Blood Bank with urgency at ext.

8311).

TURNAROUND TIME: 60 minutes

For the treatment of coagulation deficiencies or to replace **GENERAL USE OF TEST:**

depleted coagulation factors.

Refer to Transfusion Therapy Protocol. **PATIENT PREPARATION:**

LIMITATIONS: Fresh frozen plasma is administered as ABO

compatible without regard to Rh type.

Fresh frozen plasma is good for only 24 hours after

thawing. If not used, the product must be discarded

(wasted).

FROZEN TISSUE SECTION: RAPID SCREEN FOR MALIGNANCY

TEST NAME: FROZEN TISSUE SECTION:

RAPID SCREEN FOR MALIGNANCY

CPT CODE: 88331, 88332, 88333, 88334 (CPT codes vary based upon

testing performed.)

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Fresh tissue (excluding bone and calcified tissue).

<u>COLLECTION REQUIREMENT:</u> • Operative diagnosis and source must be provided.

If an infectious disease is suspected, a warning must be

stated on the requisition and specimen label.

REFERENCE RANGE: Results interpreted by consulting Pathologist.

METHOD: Cryotomy, Microscopy

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Anatomic Pathology

AVAILABILITY: • Contact OR Director.

Scheduled with Pathology Aide 2 weeks in advance

TURNAROUND TIME: Approximately 1 hour.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Provisional histologic diagnosis and aid to surgical therapy.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> Occasional false negative result.

GAMMA GLUTAMYL TRANSPEPTIDASE

TEST NAME: GAMMA GLUTAMYL TRANSPEPTIDASE

CPT CODE: 82977

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: Females: 5 - 36 U/L

Males: 8 - 61 U/L

METHOD: Enzymatic colorimetric

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Liver function.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

STORAGE REQUIREMENT: • Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after testing.

GENTAMICIN

GENTAMICIN TEST NAME:

80170 **CPT CODE:**

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5mL serum tube.

Trough: $< 2.0 \mu g/mL$ **REFERENCE RANGE:**

> $6.0 - 12.0 \mu g/mL$ Peak:

Random: $0.0 - 13.0 \,\mu g/mL$

CRITICAL VALUE: Trough: >2.0 µg/mL

Peak: >12.0 µg/mL

Random: >13.0 µg/mL

Immunoturbidimetric METHOD:

Chemistry LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST:

Daily or STAT **AVAILABILITY:**

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

> Results of specimens requested STAT will be reported within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: To monitor antibiotic therapy and to test for insufficient

or toxic serum levels of gentamicin.

a. Time of peak serum concentration PATIENT PREPARATION:

If given IM: 60 minutes

If given IV: 30 minutes after a 30 minute infusion b. Obtain trough level immediately before the 3rd dose.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: Collect specimen using standard laboratory procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after

testing.

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GIARDIA ANTIGEN, STOOL

GIARDIA ANTIGEN, STOOL TEST NAME:

87329 **CPT CODE:**

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 10 gm of stool in transport container with 10%

formalin.

• A single specimen is adequate.

REFERENCE RANGE: Negative for Giardia antigen.

METHOD: Immunoassay

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Microbiology

AVAILABILITY: Daily on Day Shift

Detection of Giardia infection of the intestinal tract. **GENERAL USE OF TEST:**

Preserved specimens stored at room temperature (22° -**ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS** 27°C).

GLUCOSE, FASTING

TEST NAME: GLUCOSE, FASTING

CPT CODE: 82947

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: 70 – 100 mg/dL

CRITICAL VALUE: Less than 1 month: <35 or >200 mg/dL

Older than 1 month: <50 or >500 mg/dL

METHOD: Hexokinase

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing

Results of specimens requested STAT will be reported

within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Evaluation of carbohydrate metabolism.

PATIENT PREPARATION: Fasting, if indicated.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:• Collect specimen using standard laboratory procedures.

• Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS • Room temperature: 8 hours

Refrigerated: 3 days.

GLUCOSE, RANDOM

TEST NAME: GLUCOSE, RANDOM

CPT CODE: 82947

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: Less than 1 month: 40 – 99 mg/dL

1 month or older: 70 - 100 mg/dL

CRITICAL VALUE: <50 or >500 mg/dL

METHOD: Hexokinase

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing

• Results of specimens requested STAT will be reported

within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Carbohydrate metabolism disorders.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:• Collect specimen using standard laboratory procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS • Room temperature: 8 hours

Refrigerated: 3 days.

GLUCOSE, SPINAL FLUID

<u>TEST NAME:</u> GLUCOSE, SPINAL FLUID

CPT CODE: 82945 (GLCS)

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL spinal fluid in a sterile plastic CSF screw cap tube

(#2).

REFERENCE RANGE: 40 – 70 mg/dL

METHOD: Hexokinase

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

• Results of specimens requested STAT will be reported

within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Diagnosis of central nervous system disorders.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> Grossly bloody specimen; bacterial contamination.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: If specimen is cloudy or bloody, centrifuge and remove the

supernatant within 60 minutes of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS • Room temperature: 8 hours

Refrigerated: 3 days.

GLUCOSE TOLERANCE

TEST NAME: GLUCOSE TOLERANCE

CPT CODE: 82947, 82950 – Standard Oral

82951, 82952 - Standard Gestational

82950 - Gestational Screen

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube for each level.

REFERENCE RANGE: 2 Hr PC: 75 – 139 mg/dL

1 Hour Post 50 gm: 75 - 139 mg/dL

Standard GTT:

Fasting: 70 – 100 mg/dL 1 Hour: 90 – 170 mg/dL 2 Hours: 75 – 135 mg/dL 3 Hours: 70 – 110 mg/dL 4 Hours: 70 – 110 mg/dL 5 Hours: 70 – 110 mg/dL

Gestational GTT per the ACOG:

Fasting: <95 mg/dL 1 Hour: <180 mg/dL 2 Hour: <155 mg/dL 3 Hour: <140 mg/dL

CRITICAL VALUE: <50 or >500 mg/dL

METHOD: Hexokinase

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY:• Monday through Friday.

This test is only available on the BMH campus.

TURNAROUND TIME: Results will be reported upon completion of tolerance test.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Endocrine disorders, carbohydrate metabolism.

PATIENT PREPARATION: • Fasting; no smoking.

Administer Glucola after baseline results are received.

Patient can drink water.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:• Collect specimen using standard laboratory procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum from cells within 2

hours of collection..

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS • Room temperature: 8 hours

Refrigerated: 3 days.

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GRAM STAIN

TEST NAME: GRAM STAIN

CPT CODE: 87205

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:• Same specimen as for routine culture of site (specify

site of material) or slide material.

• If culture is also requested, a second swab must be

submitted.

2 mL (minimum) or 1 swab or 1 slide.

Sterile containers for fluids; culturette swab for other

material.

REFERENCE RANGE: No organisms seen; mixed morphology suggestive of

normal flora for site or specimen contamination.

METHOD: Microscopic examination

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Microbiology

AVAILABILITY:• Routine: Day shift; Monday through Sunday

TURNAROUND TIME: • Routine requests reported by end of day shift.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: To determine presence or absence of bacteria, yeast,

neutrophils and epithelial cells.

PATIENT PREPARATION: Same as routine culture of specific site.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u>
• Organism isolation and identification will only be

performed if routine culture is requested.

Antimicrobial therapy can result in atypical forms or

false negative results.

Gram stains of sites where normal flora cannot be differentiated from nathogons (threat steel) are

differentiated from pathogens (throat, stool) are

normally not performed.

• Gram stains of blood and urine generally do not

provide useful results.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Same procedure as for routine culture of the specific

site.

 Specimens must be collected to avoid contamination with skin, adjacent structures and non-sterile surfaces.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Same as for culture requirements for specimen site.

HCG QUALITATIVE- PREGNANCY TEST

TEST NAME: HCG QUALITATIVE, PREGNANCY TEST

CPT CODE: 84703 (HCG)

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL from a 5mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: Assay reported as positive or negative.

METHOD: Immunoassay

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Serology

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

STAT specimens will be reported within 60 minutes of

receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Detection of pregnancy

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> Patients who have been regularly exposed to animals or

immunoglobulin fragments may produce antibodies that

interfere with immunoassays.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:• Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS• .Refrigerated: 48 hours

TEST NAME: HCG, BETA (QUANTITATIVE)

CPT CODE: 84702 (QHCG)

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: Non-pregnant females: < 5 mIU/mL.

METHOD: Chemiluminescent immunoassay.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

• If ordered STAT, within 60 minutes of receipt in the

laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: • Hydatidiform mole.

• Choriocarcinoma.

• Ectopic pregnancy.

• Threatened or missed abortion.

LIMITATIONS: Patients who have been regularly exposed to animals or

immunoglobulin fragments may produce antibodies that

interfere with immunoassays.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Samples will be capped and held 3 days after testing.

HCG, URINE

TEST NAME: HCG, URINE

CPT CODE: 84703

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 1 mL of urine.

REFERENCE RANGE: <25 mlU/mL negative

≥25 mIU/mL positive

METHOD: Immunoassay.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Urinalysis

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift of collection.

• If ordered STAT, within 60 minutes of receipt in the

laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Detection of pregnancy.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: Submit urine in a clean, dry container.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS • Refrigerated: 48 hours

HEMOGLOBIN A1C

TEST NAME: HEMOGLOBIN A1C

CPT CODE: 83036 (A1C)

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL whole blood (EDTA) from a lavender top tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: 4.5 – 5.7%

METHOD: Immunoturbidimetric

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing on Days and Evenings.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Monitor diabetic patient.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> Hemoglobin variants may interfere.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Whole blood samples are stable for 7 days at 2 - 8°C.

HEPATITIS A IGM

HEPATITIS A IMMUNOGLOBULIN M (Hepatitis A IgM) TEST NAME: CPT CODE: 86709 **SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:** Serum tubes. Non-Reactive **REFERENCE RANGE: METHOD:** Electrochemiluminescence **LAB SECTIONS PERFORMING TEST:** Chemistry **AVAILABILITY:** Daily. **TURNAROUND TIME:** Same shift testing. **GENERAL USE OF TEST:** To aid in the diagnosis of an acute or recently acquired Hepatitis A infection **SPECIMEN PREPARATION:** Collect specimens using standard laboratory procedures. Centrifuge serum tube within 2 hours of collection. Room Temp: 2 hours **STORAGE REQUIREMENTS:** Refrigerated: 7 days

HEPATITIS B CORE IGM

HEPATITIS B CORE IMMUNOGLOBULIN M (Anti HBc IgM) **TEST NAME: CPT CODE:** 86705 **SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:** Serum tubes. Non-Reactive **REFERENCE RANGE: METHOD:** Electrochemiluminescence **LAB SECTIONS PERFORMING TEST:** Chemistry **AVAILABILITY:** Daily. **TURNAROUND TIME:** Same shift testing. In vitro qualitative determination of Hepatitis B Core IgM **GENERAL USE OF TEST:** antibodies (anti-HBc IgM) **SPECIMEN PREPARATION:** Collect specimens using standard laboratory procedures. Centrifuge serum tube within 2 hours of collection. Refrigerated: 7 days **STORAGE REQUIREMENTS:**

HEPATITIS B SURFACE ANTIBODY

HEPATITIS B SURFACE ANTIBODY (HBsAb) TEST NAME: 86706 **CPT CODE:** Serum tubes. **SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:** Immune or Non-immune depending on vaccination status. REFERENCE RANGE: **METHOD:** Electrochemiluminescence **LAB SECTIONS PERFORMING TEST:** Chemistry **AVAILABILITY:** Daily. **TURNAROUND TIME:** Same shift testing. STAT specimens will be reported within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory. **GENERAL USE OF TEST:** To determine susceptibility to Hepatitis B virus prior to or following HBV vaccination or where vaccination status is unknown. To monitor the course of disease following acute hepatitis B infection **SPECIMEN PREPARATION:** Collect specimens using standard laboratory procedures. Centrifuge serum tube within 2 hours of collection. Refrigerated: 6 days **STORAGE REQUIREMENTS:**

HEPATITIS B SURFACE ANTIGEN

TEST NAME: HEPATITS B SURFACE ANTIGEN (HBsAg)

CPT CODE: 87340

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Serum tubes.

REFERENCE RANGE: Non-Reactive

METHOD: Electrochemiluminescence

LAB SECTIONS PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: • Daily.

STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

STAT specimens will be reported within 60 minutes of

receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Detection of Hepatitis B Surface Antigen

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:• Collect specimens using standard laboratory procedures.

• Centrifuge serum tube within 2 hours of collection.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS: Room Temp: 6 days

Refrigerated: 7 days

HEPATIS B SURFACE ANTIGEN CONFIRMATORY TEST

TEST NAME: HEPATITS B SURFACE ANTIGEN (HBsAg)

CPT CODE: 87341

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Serum tubes.

REFERENCE RANGE: Non-Reactive

METHOD: Electrochemiluminescence

LAB SECTIONS PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: • Daily.

• STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

• STAT specimens will be reported within 60 minutes of

receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Detection of Hepatitis B Surface Antigen

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:• Collect specimens using standard laboratory procedures.

• Centrifuge serum tube within 2 hours of collection.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS: Room Temp: 6 days

Refrigerated: 7 days

HEPATITIS C ANTIBODY

HEPATITIS C ANTIBODY (HCV) TEST NAME: 86803 **CPT CODE:** Serum tubes. **SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:** Non-Reactive REFERENCE RANGE: **METHOD:** Electrochemilumescence **LAB SECTIONS PERFORMING TEST:** Chemistry **AVAILABILITY:** Daily. **TURNAROUND TIME:** Same shift testing. STAT specimens will be reported within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory. To aid in the presumptive diagnosis of HCV infection in **GENERAL USE OF TEST:** persons with signs and symptoms and in persons at risk for hepatitis C infection. **SPECIMEN PREPARATION:** Collect specimens using standard laboratory procedures. Centrifuge serum tube within 2 hours of collection. **STORAGE REQUIREMENTS:** Room Temp: 3 days Refrigerated: 7 days

HUMAN IMMUODEFICIENCY VIRUS

TEST NAME: HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS (STAT HIV)
(Needlesticks and prenatal Mothers with unknown HIV)

status only)

CPT CODE: 86703

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Serum and EDTA tubes.

(Serum is required for follow-up testing if required.)

REFERENCE RANGE: Non-Reactive

METHOD: Immunochromatography

LAB SECTIONS PERFORMING TEST: Serology and Hematology

AVAILABILITY: • Daily.

• STAT for ED and Birthing Center Inpatients only.

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

• STAT specimens will be reported within 60 minutes of

receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Detection of HIV 1 and 2 antibodies and p24 antigen.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:• Collect specimens using standard laboratory procedures.

• Centrifuge serum tube within 2 hours of collection.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS: Room Temp: 2 days

Refrigerated: 7 days

INFLUENZA VIRUS A&B ANTIGEN DETECTION

<u>TEST NAME:</u> INFLUENZA VIRUS A&B ANTIGEN DETECTION

CPT CODE: 87804 x 2

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:• 0.5 – 3.0 ml nasopharyngeal washings. Aspirate

material from nasopharynx is acceptable.

E swabs are acceptable.

• Laboratory will not collect this specimen.

• Submit to laboratory within 1 hour of collection.

REFERENCE RANGE: Negative

METHOD: Enzyme immunomembrane filter assay.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Microbiology

AVAILABILITY: • Routine testing available Monday – Sunday.

STAT 24/7

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Direct qualitative assay for Influenza Virus A & B antigen in

nasopharyngeal washings in patients with symptoms

consistent with influenza infection.

PATIENT PREPARATION: None

LIMITATIONS: • Assay is not a culture method.

• Both viable and non-viable influenza will be

detected.

Sensitivity of flu A Ag is 96% and flu B Ag is 98%

compared to culture.

Specimens, which test negative for both flu A and

flu B antigens, can be sent for culture with a

physician order.

Influenza infection is seasonal. Testing should be

confined to the period December - March.

SPECIAL PREPARATION:• Sterile saline is introduced into and recovered from

nasopharynx via tubing and syringe or bulb.

Washings are transferred to tube containing viral

transport media.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS• Store 2° - 8°C until tested (up to 72 hours).

IRON

TEST NAME: IRON

CPT CODE: 83540

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 1 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: Females: 37-145 μg/dL

Males: 59 - 158 μg/dL

METHOD: Ferrozine-no deproteinization

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: • Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: • Routine, same shift testing.

 Results of specimens for total iron studies requested STAT will be reported within 60 minutes of receipt in the

laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Evaluation of iron metabolism.

PATIENT PREPARATION: Fasting is recommended.

LIMITATIONS: Contraindicated during iron therapy.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:• Collect specimen using standard laboratory procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS• Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after testing.

KOH PREPARATION

TEST NAME: KOH PREPARATION

CPT CODE: 87220

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:• Skin scrapings collected from the outer, growing edge of

suspected fungal lesions.

• Visible (up to 50 or more) amount of skin flakes, submitted in sterile, dry container with tight fitting top.

Finger nails are acceptable but not swabs.

REFERENCE RANGE: No fungal elements seen.

METHOD: Microscopic examination.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Microbiology

AVAILABILITY: Results read day shift; Monday – Sunday.

TURNAROUND TIME: 24 hours

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Direct examination of skin scraping for the presence of

fungal elements.

PATIENT PREPARATION: Same as for culture of specific site.

LIMITATIONS: KOH preparations may be negative when culture is

positive.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: Specimen will be divided for fungal culture and KOH

preparation and other ordered cultures, volume permitting.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS • Avoid moisture.

• Refrigeration not required.

LACTATE DEHYDROGENASE

TEST NAME: LACTATE DEHYDROGENASE

CPT CODE: 83615

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: Females 135 – 214 U/L

Males 135 - 225 U/L

METHOD: Lactate to pyruvate

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Cardiac and liver disorder, hematologic disorders, certain

tumors.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> Hemolyzed samples should not be used; hemolysis will

cause falsely elevated results.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard laboratory procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

• Samples will be capped and held for 4 days after

testing.

LACTIC ACID

TEST NAME: LACTIC ACID

CPT CODE: 83605

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:• 1 mL plasma from a grey top tube (sodium floride/

potassium oxalate).

• If possible, collect specimen without applying a

tourniquet.

Centrifuge specimen within 15 minutes of

collection and remove plasma.

REFERENCE RANGE: • 0.5 – 2.2 mmol/L

METHOD: Colorimetric

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

• STAT specimens in 60 minutes.

GENERAL USE OF TEST:• Detection of tissue hypoxia, diabetes mellitus,

 malignancies, glycogen storage disease, ethanol, methanol or salicylate ingestion and metabolic acidosis.

PATIENT PREPARATION: The patient should avoid any exercise of the arm or hand

before or during collection of specimen.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: Collect specimen using standard laboratory procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; remove plasma from cells within 15

minutes of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS• Samples will be capped and held for 8 hours after

testing.

LEGIONELLA ANTIGEN, URINE

TEST NAME: LEGIONELLA ANTIGEN, URINE

CPT CODE: 87449

 Urine voided into a sterile container SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:

REFERENCE RANGE: Negative for Legionella antigen.

METHOD: Immunoassay

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Serology

AVAILABILITY: STAT OR Routine on all shifts

TURNAROUND TIME

Results of routine specimens collected by 9:00 PM will be

reported by 7:00 AM.

Results of specimens requested STAT will be reported

within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Detection of Legionella antigen in urine.

• The specimens can be stored at room temperature (59-

86°F, 15-30°C) if assayed within 24 hours of collection. Alternatively, specimens may be stored at 2-8°C for up

to 14 days before testing.

LEUKOCYTE REDUCED RED BLOOD CELLS

TEST NAME: LEUKOCYTE REDUCED RED BLOOD CELLS

CPT CODE: P9016

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: EDTA vacutainer tube is required for a crossmatch.

COLLECTION REQUIREMENT:• Two unique patient identifiers on tube label, date of specimen collection and initials of individual collecting

the blood sample.

• The patient must be positively identified using a

Securline blood band.

METHOD: Tube Method.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Blood Bank

AVAILABILITY: STAT on all 3 shifts.

TURNAROUND TIME: 1 hour.

GENERAL USE OF TEST:• Indicated for any patient who requires a packed red cell

product.

Indicated for treatment of symptomatic anemia in

patients who require only an increase of oxygen carrying

capacity and red blood cells mass.

PATIENT PREPARATION: Refer to Transfusion Therapy Protocol.

LIPID PANEL STANDARD

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TEST NAME:	LIPID PANEL STANDARD (CARDUAC) (HDL, Cholesterol, Triglycerides, and LDL)
CPT CODE:	80061
SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:	2.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.
REFERENCE RANGE:	See individual tests.
METHOD:	See individual tests.
LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST:	Chemistry
AVAILABILITY:	Daily
TURNAROUND TIME:	Same shift testing.
GENERAL USE OF TEST:	See individual tests.
PATIENT PREPARATION:	Fasting is preferred.
SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:	 Collect specimen using standard lab procedures. Collect specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells within 2 hours of collection.

Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after testing.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS

LIPASE

TEST NAME: LIPASE

CPT CODE: 83690

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: 13 – 60 U/L

METHOD: Enzymatic colorimetric

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

• STAT specimens in 60 minutes.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Acute pancreatitis; obstruction of pancreatic duct.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard laboratory procedures.

• Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS• Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after testing.

LITHIUM

TEST NAME: LITHIUM

CPT CODE: 80178 (LI)

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: 0.6 – 1.2 mmol/L

CRITICAL VALUE: >1.6 mmol/L

METHOD: Colorimetric

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

Results of specimens requested STAT will be reported

within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Therapeutic monitoring of lithium.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard laboratory

• Centrifuge specimen; separate serum from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Samples will be capped and held for 7 days.

LIVER FUNCTION PANEL

TEST NAME: LIVER FUNCTION PANEL

(Alb, ALT, AST, T. Bil, Alk Phos, DBil, T Protein)

CPT CODE: 80076

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: See individual tests.

METHOD: See individual tests.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

STAT results will be reported within 60 minutes of

receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Evaluation of various serum biochemistry constituents.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:• Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

• Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS• Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after testing.

LOW MOLECULAR WEIGHT HEPARIN (2 pages)

TEST NAME: HEPARIN, LOW MOLECULAR WEIGHT, ANTI-Xa

CPT CODE: 85520

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Plasma from a full blue top tube (sodium citrate).

REFERENCE RANGE: LMWH therapeutic range: 0.50-1.00 IU/mL for twice daily

dosing*

LMWH therapeutic range: 1.00-2.00 IU/mL for once daily

dosing*

LMWH prophylactic range: 0.10-0.30 IU/mL

(*sample obtained 4-6 hours following subcutaneous injection)

CRITICAL VALUE >2.0 IU/mL

METHOD: Photo-Optical

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Hematology

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Monitoring Therapy with Low Molecular Weight Heparin

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> • Clotted specimen.

Improper labeling.

Specimen greater than 4 hours old.

Incomplete filling of vacutainer.

• Grossly, hemolyzed, icteric or lipemic specimen.

Anticoagulant therapy should be noted on requisition.

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TEST NAME:

LOW MOLECULAR WEIGHT HEPARIN, ANTI-Xa

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:

- Mix immediately after drawing.
- Centrifuge at 3500 g for 10 minutes.
- Remove plasma within 24 hours of venipuncture.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS

Samples will be capped and held for 24 hours after testing.

LUTEINIZING HORMONE

TEST NAME: LUTEINIZING HORMONE

CPT CODE: 83002 (LH)

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGES:

Women

Follicular phase 2.4 12.6 mIU/mL Ovulation phase 14.0 95.6 mIU/mL Luteal phase 1.0 11.4 mIU/mL Postmenopause 7.7 58.5 mIU/mL

<u>Men</u> 1.7 8.6 mIU/mL

METHOD: Electrochemiluminescence

LAB SECTION PERFORMING

TEST:

Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

GENERAL USE OF TEST:

- Regulation of menstrual cycle.
- Maintenance of pregnancy.
- Assessment of hypothalamic function and pituitary function

function.

To distinguish between primary or secondary gonadal failure.

LIMITATIONS:

Patients who have been regularly exposed to animals or immunoglobulin fragments may produce antibodies that interfere with immunoassays.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:

- Collect specimen using standard laboratory procedures.
- Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS

Samples will be capped and held for 7 days.

MAGNESIUM

TEST NAME: MAGNESIUM

CPT CODE: 83735 (MG)

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: 1.6 – 2.6 mg/dL

CRITICAL VALUE: <1.0 mg/dL or >4.9 mg/dL

METHOD: Colorimetric Endpoint

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

Results of specimens requested STAT will be reported

within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Evaluation of metabolic disorders.

LIMITATIONS: Protective gloves manufactured with magnesium

stearate (talc) powder may cause elevated test results because of contamination of sample handling supplies.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard laboratory procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after testing.

MAGNESIUM, URINE

TEST NAME: MAGNESIUM, URINE

CPT CODE: 83735 (MG)

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL urine from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: 72.9-121.5 mg/24 hr

METHOD: Colorimetric Endpoint

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

Results of specimens requested STAT will be reported

within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Evaluation of metabolic disorders.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> Protective gloves manufactured with magnesium

stearate (talc) powder may cause elevated test results because of contamination of sample handling supplies.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard laboratory procedures.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after testing.

MALARIA SMEAR

MALARIA SMEAR TEST NAME: 87207 **CPT CODE:** 3 – 5 mL whole blood (EDTA) in lavender top vacutainer and **SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:** blood smears from finger stick (capillary puncture). **REFERENCE RANGE:** No parasite observed. Presence of malaria parasites. **CRITICAL VALUE:** Examination of peripheral smear. **METHOD: LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST:** Hematology All shifts **AVAILABILITY: TURNAROUND TIME:** Same shift **GENERAL USE OF TEST:** Suspected malarial disease. Microscopic examination of thick and thin blood smears for blood borne parasites. None **PATIENT PREPARATION: LIMITATIONS:** A single negative result does not rule out the presence of Malaria organisms. Multiple samples over a 36-hour period are recommended. Antimalarial chemotherapy; improper timing of collection. Venipuncture or capillary collection should take place just **SPECIMEN PREPARATION:** prior to or at onset of chills. Smears should be made immediately to avoid prolonged

contact of the organisms with EDTA.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

MICROALBUMIN

TEST NAME: MICROALBUMIN (Quantitative)

CPT CODE: 82043

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Random urine with no preservative collected in a

plastic container obtained from the laboratory.

REFERENCE RANGE: <20 μg/mg Creatinine

METHOD: Albumin: Immunoturbidometric assay

Creatinine: Colorimetric

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: All shifts

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Aids in the diagnosis of kidney and intestinal disease.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after testing

MONONUCLEOSIS, SCREEN

TEST NAME: MONONUCLEOSIS, SCREEN

CPT CODE: 86308

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: Negative

METHOD: Dipstick

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Serology

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME:• Results of routine specimens collected by 9:00 PM will

be reported by 7:00 AM.

Results of specimens requested STAT will be reported

within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: The detection of heterophile antibodies related to infectious

mononucleosis.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:• Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS• Samples will be capped and held for 4 days after testing.

OCCULT BLOOD, GASTRIC

OCCULT BLOOD, GASTRIC TEST NAME: 82271 **CPT CODE:** 0.5 mL gastric contents submitted in a clean, sealed **SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:** container. Negative REFERENCE RANGE: Buffered guaiac slide test. **METHOD: LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST:** Urinalysis Daily **AVAILABILITY:** Same shift testing. **TURNAROUND TIME: GENERAL USE OF TEST:** Rapid screening test designed for detection of occult blood in gastric aspirate or vomitus. Test results should be used only in conjunction with **LIMITATIONS:** other information relevant to the clinical status of the patient. A positive test result may suggest the need for more careful monitoring of the patient. Many foods can produce a positive test result. Therefore, a positive result does not always indicate the presence of human blood. **SPECIMEN PREPARATION:** Specimen must be labeled with patient's full name, room number, date, medical record number, and date, time and initial of collection personnel. **ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS** Test immediately after collection. If not possible, store gastric secretions at room temperature for 24 hours or up to

5 days at 2° - 8°C.

OCCULT BLOOD, STOOL (2 pages)

TEST NAME: OCCULT BLOOD, STOOL

CPT CODE: 82270

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Fresh random stool submitted in a clean, sealed container.

REFERENCE RANGE: Negative

METHOD: Buffered guaiac slide test.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Urinalysis

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Routine screening procedure for occult blood in stool.

PATIENT PREPARATION:

 Patient should not eat red meats, including processed meats and liver, melon, radishes, horseradish, turnips, aspirin or Vitamin C in excess of 250 mg/day for a period of 2 days prior to collection of specimen.

Oral medications, such as aspirin, indomethacin, reserpine, phenylbutazone, corticosteroids and heavy alcohol consumption may cause irritation or bleeding of the gastrointestinal tract and should be discontinued for 3 days prior to and during the test period.

NOTE: Roughage in the diet can increase test accuracy by uncovering silent lesions that bleed intermittently.

LIMITATIONS: • Vitamin C intact may cause false negatives.

 Results obtained cannot be considered conclusive evidence of the presence of gastrointestinal bleeding or pathology.

 False negative tests may be obtained since most bleeding occurs intermittently.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: Specimen must be labeled with patient's full name, room

number, date, medical record number, and date, time and

initial of collection personnel.

<u>ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS</u>
• Test immediately after collection. If not possible, store

the stool sample at 2° - 8°C for up to 5 days.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS CONT:

Hemoccult cards with stool applied can be stored at room temperature for up to 10 days following collection of the stool sample.

PARTIAL THROMBOPLASTIN TIME, ACTIVATED APPT

PARTIAL THROMBOPLASTIN TIME, ACTIVATED, APPT **TEST NAME:**

85730 **CPT CODE:**

Plasma from a full blue top tube (sodium citrate). **SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:**

REFERENCE RANGE: Reference range listed on report.

>119 seconds. **CRITICAL VALUE:**

Photo optical **METHOD:**

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Hematology

Daily or STAT **AVAILABILITY:**

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

STAT = 60 min.

Measurement of intrinsic coagulation system. **GENERAL USE OF TEST:**

LIMITATIONS: Heparin therapy should be noted on requisition.

> Clotted specimen, inadequate filling of tube, specimen greater than 4 hours old, improper labeling, grossly hemolyzed, icteric or lipemic specimens, specimen drawn above an IV.

> Drugs that may interfere include Zosyn (piperacillin/tazobactam), Alteplase, Thrombin,

Protamine sulfate, Clopidogrel bisulfate,

Tenecteplase, Tranexamic acid.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: Mix well immediately after drawing.

Centrifuge at 3500 g for 10 minutes within four hours of

collection.

Note: Plasma from heparinized patients must be **ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS** centrifuged within 1 hour of collection and tested within

4 hours of collection.

pH, BODY FLUIDS

TEST NAME: pH, BODY FLUIDS

CPT CODE: 82800

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Body fluid submitted in green top tube (heparin).

No Pleural Fluids.

REFERENCE RANGE: Should be interpreted with regard to fluid type submitted.

METHOD: Dipstick

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing

Results of specimens requested STAT will be reported

within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Determine pH of clinical specimen.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS Refrigerate at 2° - 8°C for up to a week.

PHENYTOIN (DILANTIN)

TEST NAME: PHENYTOIN (DILANTIN)

CPT CODE: 80185

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: • 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL plain red top tube.

• Do not collect in SST tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: 10 – 20 μg/mL

CRITICAL VALUE: >30 μg/mL

METHOD: Kinetic interaction of microparticles in a solution (KIMS)

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

• STATs will be resulted within 60 minutes of receipt in

the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Monitor phenytoin levels to ensure appropriate therapy.

PATIENT PREPARATION: Trough: One hour prior to next dose.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard laboratory procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS• Samples will be capped and held for at least 4 days after

testing.

PHOSPHORUS, BLOOD

PHOSPHORUS, BLOOD TEST NAME: 84100 **CPT CODE:** 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube. SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 2.5 - 4.5 mg/dL**REFERENCE RANGE: CRITICAL VALUE:** <1.1 mg/dL Phosphomolybdate UV **METHOD:** Chemistry **LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST:** Daily **AVAILABILITY:** Same shift testing. **TURNAROUND TIME: GENERAL USE OF TEST:** Measurement of phosphorus is used in the diagnosis and treatment of parathyroid gland and kidney diseases, and Vitamin D imbalance.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

Collect specimen using standard laboratory procedures.

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Samples will be capped and held for 4 days after testing.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:

PHOSPHORUS, URINE

TEST NAME: PHOSPHORUS, URINE

CPT CODE: 84105

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Random urine or 24-hour urine collected with no preservative

in a plastic container obtained from the laboratory.

REFERENCE RANGE: 18 yrs. and up: 400 – 1300 mg/24 hrs.

METHOD: Phosphomolybdate UV

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Measurement of phosphorus is used in the diagnosis and

treatment of parathyroid gland and kidney diseases, and

Vitamin D imbalance.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • No preservatives necessary.

Refrigerate specimen during collection and until

analysis.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Samples will be capped and held for 4 days hours after testing

PINWORM PREPARATION

TEST NAME: PINWORM PREPARATION

CPT CODE: 87208

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Special collection containers obtained from the

Microbiology Laboratory.

COLLECTION REQUIREMENT: • Pinworm eggs are very infectious. Be sure to

secure the container.

REFERENCE RANGE: No pinworm (<u>Enterobius vermicularis</u>) eggs seen.

METHOD: Microscopic examination

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Microbiology

AVAILABILITY: Day shift, Monday – Sunday.

TURNAROUND TIME: Same day

GENERAL USE OF TEST: • To detect cases of enterobiasis.

Pinworm identification.

One negative result does not rule out the possibility of

parasitic infection.

PATIENT PREPARATION: None

LIMITATIONS: • Examination for pinworm only.

· Tests will not detect other parasites.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:• Specimen is best obtained a few hours after the person

retires, perhaps at 10:00 or 11:00 PM **OR** first thing in

the morning before a bowel movement or bath.

Remove the lid and **paddle** assembly from the vial

provided. Do not disconnect the **paddle** from the lid. Touch the sticky side of the **paddle** to the folds of skin

around the anus.

• If any worms are visible, be sure to capture them on the

tape.

· Secure the vial and send to the laboratory.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS No refrigeration required.

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PLATELETS

TEST NAME: PLATELETS

CPT CODE: P9035

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: EDTA or plain red top vacutainer tube if blood type is not on

file.

COLLECTION REQUIREMENT: Two unique patient identifiers on tube label, date of

specimen collection and initials of individual collecting the

blood sample.

METHOD: Leukoreduced plateletpheresis products used.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Blood Bank

AVAILABILITY: M-F: Order by 11:00 am to received platelets by 4:00 pm.

Other Times: Contact Blood Bank at extension 8311.

TURNAROUND TIME: 60 minutes

GENERAL USE OF TEST: To correct platelet deficiencies if clinical indicated.

PATIENT PREPARATION: Refer to Transfusion Therapy Protocol.

POTASSIUM

TEST NAME: POTASSIUM

CPT CODE: 84132

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: 3.5 – 5.1 mmol/L

CRITICAL VALUE: <3.0 mmol/L or >6.0 mmol/L

METHOD: Ion Selective Electrode, indirect

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

Results of specimens requested STAT will be reported

within 60 minutes of respirit in the laboratory.

within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Electrolyte balance

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> Hemolysis falsely increases potassium.

PATIENT PREPARATION:• The patient should avoid any exercise of the arm or

hand before or during collection because opening and closing the fist increases concentrations by 10 to 20%.

• Do not draw from an arm receiving IV.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard laboratory procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS• Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after testing.

POTASSIUM, URINE

POTASSIUM, URINE **TEST NAME:** 84133) **CPT CODE:** Total random urine or 24-hour urine collected with no **SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:** preservative in a plastic container obtained from the laboratory. See 24-hour urine collection procedure. **COLLECTION REQUIREMENT:** 25 - 125 mmol/24 hours **REFERENCE RANGE: METHOD:** Ion Selective Electrode, indirect **LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST:** Chemistry Daily **AVAILABILITY: TURNAROUND TIME:** Same shift testing. **GENERAL USE OF TEST:** Renal function. Disorders of aldosterone secretion. ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Samples will be capped and held for 7 days

after testing.

PREALBUMIN

TEST NAME: PREALBUMIN

CPT CODE: 84134

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: 20 - 40 mg/dL

METHOD: Immunoturbidimetric

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: All shifts.

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Aids in the assessment of the patient's nutritional status.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

• Centrifuge specimen; separate serum from cells within 2

hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS• Samples will be capped and held for 2 days after testing.

Pro-BNP

TEST NAME: Pro-BNP (N-terminal pro B-type natriuretic peptide)

CPT CODE: 83880

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 1.0 mL from a lavender EDTA tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: 0-75 yr: <125 pg/mL > 75 yr: <450 pg/mL

METHOD: Electrochemiluminescence

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

Results of STAT specimens will be reported within 60

minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Aid in the diagnosis and assessment of severity of

congestive heart failure.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u>
• Concentrations may be elevated in patients:

> who are experiencing a heart attack

> who are candidates for renal dialysis

> who have had renal dialysis

 This test has been formulated to minimize the effects of antibodies on the assay. However, clinicians should carefully evaluate results from

patients suspected of having such antibodies.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: Centrifuge sample and remove plasma within 7 hours of

collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS

• Samples are capped and held for 6 days after testing.

PROSTATE SPECIFIC ANTIGEN, TOTAL	
TEST NAMES:	PROSTATE SPECIFIC ANTIGEN, DIAGNOSTIC PROSTATE SPECIFIC ANTIGEN, SCREENING
CPT CODES:	Diagnostic PSA 84153, Screening PSA 84153 G0103 (if appropriate)
SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:	0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL green top or serum separator tube
REFERENCE RANGE:	PSA, less than 4.0 ng/mL
METHOD:	Electrochemiluminescence
LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST:	Chemistry
AVAILABILITY:	Daily
TURNAROUND TIME:	Same shift testing
GENERAL USE OF TEST:	Biopsy is necessary for diagnosis of cancer.
LIMITATIONS:	 Serum PSA measurement is not an absolute test for malignancy. The PSA value should be used in conjunction with information available from clinical evaluation and other diagnostic procedures. Specimens obtained from patients undergoing prostate manipulation procedures may give erroneous results. Patients who have been regularly exposed to animals or immunoglobulin fragments may produce antibodies that interfere with immunoassays.
SPECIMEN PREPARATION:	 Collect specimen using standard lab procedures. Centrifuge specimen; separate serum from cells within 2 hours of collection.

Samples will be capped and held for 5 days after testing.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS

PROTEIN, CEREBROSPINAL FLUID

TEST NAME: PROTEIN, CEREBROSPINAL FLUID

CPT CODE: 84157

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL cerebrospinal fluid collected in a sterile plastic CSF

screw cap tube (#1).

REFERENCE RANGE: 12 – 45 mg/dL

METHOD: Colorimetric

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing

Results of specimens requested STAT will be reported

within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Diagnosis of cerebrospinal fluid pathological processes.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> Presence of hemoglobin may elevate levels.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: If specimen is cloudy or bloody, centrifuge and remove the

supernatant within 4 hours of collection.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS 1 day at 20-25 °C

6 days at 4-8 °C.

PROTEIN, TOTAL

TEST NAME: PROTEIN, TOTAL

CPT CODE: 84155

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: 6.6 – 8.7 g/dL

METHOD: Biuret, serum blank, end point

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Detection of hypo and hyperproteinemia.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS • Samples will be capped and held for 7 days.

PROTEIN, URINE 24-HOUR

TEST NAME: PROTEIN, URINE 24-HOUR

CPT CODE: 84156

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Random urine or a 24-hour urine collected with no

preservatives in a plastic container obtained from the

laboratory.

REFERENCE RANGE: 42 – 255 mg/24 hours

METHOD: Colorimetric

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Detection of clinically significant proteinuria.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u>
• No preservatives necessary.

Collect timed specimens on ice or refrigerate

specimen during collection.

 Urine samples should not be collected after intense physical exertion, or acute fluid load or deprivation.

• Collect specimens prior to administration of

contrast media.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: Centrifuge specimen before analysis to remove particulate

matter.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS • 1 day at 20-25 °C

7 days at 4-8 °C

PROTHROMBIN TIME

TEST NAME: PROTHROMBIN TIME

CPT CODE: 85610

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Plasma from a full blue top tube (sodium citrate).

REFERENCE RANGE: Reference range listed on report.

CRITICAL VALUE: >40 secs.

METHOD: Photo-Optical

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Hematology

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

STAT: 60 minutes

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Evaluation of extrinsic coagulation system and Vitamin K

dependent factors. Monitoring or warfarin.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> • Clotted specimen.

• Improper labeling.

Specimen greater than 4 hours old.

• Incomplete filling of vacutainer.

Grossly, hemolyzed, icteric or lipemic specimen.

Anticoagulant therapy should be noted on

requisition.

 Drugs that may interfere include Zosyn (piperacillin/tazobactam), Alteplase, Thrombin, Protamine sulfate, Clopidogrel bisulfate, Tenecteplase, Tranexamic acid.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Mix immediately after drawing.

Centrifuge at 3500 g for 10 minutes.

Remove plasma within 24 hours of venipuncture.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Samples will be capped and held for 24 hours after

testing.

RAPID UREASE SCREEN FOR HELICOBACTER PYLORI

TEST NAME: RAPID UREASE

CPT CODE: 87072

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Gastric biopsy sample consisting of 1-3 mm tissue.

COLLECTION REQUIREMENT: • Physician obtains gastric biopsy sample.

REFERENCE RANGE: Negative

METHOD: Colorimetric

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Microbiology

AVAILABILITY: • Test run day shift Monday – Friday

TURNAROUND TIME:• Approximately 24 hours after receipt by the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Screening test for Helicobacter pylori.

PATIENT PREPARATION: • Standard endoscopy preparation.

 Patient should not have taken antibiotics or bismuth salts for at least three weeks prior to endoscopy.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> False negative results may occur with low numbers of

H. pylori, usage of antibiotics or bismuth salts within

three weeks of sample collection.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: Direct inoculation into H. pylori medium

RPR TEST NAME: RPR 86592 **CPT CODE:** 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube. **SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:** Non-reactive **REFERENCE RANGE:** Charcoal particle agglutination on 18 mm circle cards. **METHOD: LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST:** Serology Daily. **AVAILABILITY:** Weekly. **TURNAROUND TIME:** Screening test for syphilis. **GENERAL USE OF TEST: SPECIMEN PREPARATION:**

Collect specimen using standard laboratory procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Samples will be capped and held for at least 7 days after

testing.

RESPIRATORY SYNCYTIAL VIRUS ANTIGEN DETECTION

TEST NAME: RESPIRATORY SYNCYTIAL VIRUS (RSV) ANTIGEN

DETECTION

CPT CODE: 87807

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:• Test only performed on pediatric patients 5

years or younger.

• 0.5 – 3.0 ml nasopharyngeal washings. Aspirate

• Nylon flocked swabs are acceptable.

Sample must be from nasopharynx. Anterior nares and

throat samples are not acceptable.

Submit in viral transport media (obtain from

Microbiology).

• Laboratory will not collect this specimen.

Submit to laboratory within 1 hour of collection or on ice.

REFERENCE RANGE: Negative

METHOD: Enzyme immunomembrane filtering assay.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Microbiology

AVAILABILITY: • Daily

STAT testing is available 24/7.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Direct qualitative assay for RSV antigen in nasopharyngeal

washings in patients with symptoms consistent with RSV

infection.

PATIENT PREPARATION: None

LIMITATIONS: • Assay is not a culture method.

Both viable and non-viable RSV will be detected.

RSV infection is seasonal. Testing should be confined to the fall, winter and early spring months.

SPECIAL PREPARATION:• Sterile saline is introduced into and recovered from

nasopharynx via tubing and syringe or bulb.

Washings are transferred to tube containing viral

transport media.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS • Store 2° - 8°C until tested.

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RETICULOCYTE COUNT

TEST NAME: RETICULOCYTE COUNT

CPT CODE: 85045 (RETC) Flow Cytometry

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 3 mL whole blood (EDTA) from lavender top tube **OR**

250 mL from a lavender microtainer.

REFERENCE RANGE: Females: 0.5 – 1.7%

Males: 0.51 - 1.81%

METHOD: Flow cytometry

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Hematology

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Evaluation of erythropoietic activity.

LIMITATIONS: • Recently transfused patients.

Clotted specimen.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS• Specimens for flow cytometry may be stored at 2° -

8°C for up to 72 hours.

RHEUMATOID FACTOR

TEST NAME:

RHEUMATOID FACTOR (RA)

CPT CODE: 86431 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube. **SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:** <14 IU/mL **REFERENCE RANGE:** Samples with over-range results diluted to endpoint. **METHOD:** Immunoturbidimetric assay **Special Chemistry LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST:** Daily **AVAILABILITY:** Same shift testing. **TURNAROUND TIME:** Detection of rheumatoid arthritis. **GENERAL USE OF TEST: SPECIAL PREPARATION:** Collect specimen using standard lab procedures. Centrifuge specimen and separate serum from cells within 2 hours of collection. **ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS** Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after testing.

RUBELLA IGG

RUBELLA IGG TEST NAME: 86762 **CPT CODE:** 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube. **SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:** A reactive result is an indication of previous exposure to **REFERENCE RANGE:** Rubella, either by prior infection or by vaccination.). **METHOD:** Immunoassay LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry **AVAILABILITY:** Daily Same shift testing. **TURNAROUND TIME:** Determination of Immune status. **GENERAL USE OF TEST: SPECIAL PREPARATION:** Collect specimen using standard lab procedures. Centrifuge specimen and separate serum from cells within 2 hours of collection. **ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS** Samples will be capped and held for 4 days after testing.

SARS-COV-2 NUCLEIC ACID BY POLYMERASE CHAIN REACTION (PCR)

COVID-19

CPT CODE: 87635

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Purple top Nasopharyngeal Swab in Viral Transport Medium REFERENCE RANGE: Negative

METHOD: PCR

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Microbiology

AVAILABILITY: Monday to Friday

TURNAROUND TIME: 24 hours

SPECIAL PREPARATION: • Store Specimen at 2 – 8 °C if not brought to the lab

immediately.

Detection of .covid-19

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS • Not Applicable

GENERAL USE OF TEST:

TEST NAME:

SALICYLATE

TEST NAME: SALICYLATE

CPT CODE: 80302

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: 3 - 10 mg/dL

CRITICAL VALUE: >30 mg/dL

METHOD: Enzymatic

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

• Results of specimens requested STAT will be reported

within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST:• Monitor therapeutic drug level.

Salicylate toxicity and poisoning.

PATIENT PREPARATION: • Trough: Immediately prior to next oral dose.

• Peak: 2 – 6 hours after dose.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:• Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS• Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after testing.

SEMEN ANALYSIS

TEST NAME: SEMEN ANALYSIS

CPT CODE: 89320

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Single, total ejaculate submitted within 30-60 minutes in a

clean 4 oz. plastic screw top container.

REFERENCE RANGE: Fluid volume: 1.5 – 5 ml

Sperm count: 20,000,000 to 150,000,000/ml

METHOD: Manual count & normal morphology determination.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Hematology

AVAILABILITY: Monday to Friday: 7 am – 12 pm.

TURNAROUND TIME: 24 – 48 hours (for abnormal [manual] morphology).

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Quantitative and qualitative examination of seminal fluid in

the diagnosis of male infertility.

PATIENT PREPARATION: • Patient should abstain from sexual activity for the three

days prior to specimen collection.

• Patient should receive our instruction sheet.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Specimen is deposited directly into container.

Exact time of collection must be noted on container or

requisition.

Specimen must be kept at body temperature while being

transported to the laboratory.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS Keep sample warm; **do not refrigerate**.

SEMEN, ANALYSIS, POST VASECTOMY

SEMEN ANALYSIS TEST NAME: **POST VASECTOMY CPT CODE:** 89300 **SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:** Fluid volume: 1.5 - 5 ml Single, total ejaculate submitted within 12 - 18 hours in a clean plastic screw top container. Submission within 2 – 4 hours is preferred. REFERENCE RANGE: Sperm absent Microscopic examination METHOD: Hematology **LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST:** Monday to Friday: 7 am - 12 pm. **AVAILABILITY:** Same day **TURNAROUND TIME: GENERAL USE OF TEST:** Determine presence or absence of sperm aftervasectomy procedure. Patient should abstain from sexual activity for the three days **PATIENT PREPARATION:** prior to specimen collection. **SPECIMEN PREPARATION:** Specimen is deposited directly into container. Time of collection must be noted on container or requisition. STORAGE REQUIREMENTS Keep sample warm.

Do not refrigerate.

STREPTOCOCCUS PNEUMONIAE ANTIGEN, URINE

STREP PNEUMONIAE ANTIGEN, URINE **TEST NAME:**

CPT CODE: 87899

Urine voided into a sterile container **SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:**

REFERENCE RANGE: Negative for Streptococcus pneumoniae antigen.

Immunoassay METHOD:

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Serology

AVAILABILITY: STAT OR Routine on all shifts

TURNAROUND TIME

Results of routine specimens collected by 9:00 PM will be reported by 7:00 AM.

Results of specimens requested STAT will be reported

within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

Detection of Strep pneumoniae antigen in urine. **GENERAL USE OF TEST:**

The specimens can be stored at room temperature (59-**ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS**

86°F, 15-30°C) if assayed within 24 hours of collection. Alternatively, specimens may be stored at 2-8°C for up

to 14 days before testing.

SODIUM

TEST NAME: SODIUM

CPT CODE: 84295

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: 136 – 145 mmol/L

CRITICAL VALUE: <125 OR >160 mmol/L

METHOD: Ion Selective Electrode, indirect

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

Results of specimens requested STAT will be reported

within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Electrolyte balance.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

SODIUM, URINE

SODIUM, URINE TEST NAME: 84300 **CPT CODE: SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:** Random urine or 24-hour urine collected with no preservative in a plastic container obtained from the laboratory. 40 - 220 mmol/24 hours **REFERENCE RANGE:** Direct Ion Selective Electrode **METHOD:** Chemistry **LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST:** Daily **AVAILABILITY:** Same shift testing. **TURNAROUND TIME: GENERAL USE OF TEST:** Renal function. **SPECIMEN PREPARATION:** No preservations necessary. Refrigerate during collection. **ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS** Samples will be capped and held for 7 days after testing

STREP A ANTIGEN DETECTION, RAPID

TEST NAME: STREP A ANTIGEN DETECTION, RAPID 87880 **CPT CODE:** 2 throat swabs submitted in culturette. <u>SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:</u> Negative **REFERENCE RANGE:** Lateral flow immunoassay METHOD: **LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST:** Microbiology **AVAILABILITY:** No restrictions. STAT on physician request. 60 minutes **TURNAROUND TIME: GENERAL USE OF TEST:** Rapid, direct detection of viable and non-viable group A strep antigen. Culture will be automatically ordered and performed on all patients with negative antigen results. **PATIENT PREPARATION:** None **LIMITATIONS:** The rapid test is less sensitive as compared to culture in our laboratory. This does not differentiate between carriers and those with infection. **SPECIMEN PREPARATION:** Use a tongue depressor and, with the culturette swab, firmly swab both tonsillar areas and the posterior pharynx. Specimen must be transported to laboratory within 72 hours of collection. Do not use calcium alginate, cotton tipped or wooden shafted swabs.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

Store at room temperature until tested; **do not refrigerate**.

T3, FREE

TEST NAME: T3, Free

CPT CODE: 84481

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 00.5 mL serum from 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: 2.0 pg/mL – 4.4 pg/mL

METHOD: Electrochemiluminescence

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Evaluate thyroid function.

<u>LIMITATIONS</u>: • Patients who have been regularly exposed to

animals or immunoglobulin fragments may produce

antibodies that interfere with immunoassays.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:• Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

T3, TOTAL

TEST NAME: T3, TOTAL

CPT CODE: 84480 (TT3)

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL plain red top tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: 80 – 200 ng/dL

METHOD: Electrochemiluminescence

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Evaluate thyroid function.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> Patients who have been regularly exposed to animals or

immunoglobulin fragments may produce antibodies that

interfere with immunoassays.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

• Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

T4, TOTAL

TEST NAME: T4, TOTAL

CPT CODE: 84336

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL plain red top tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: 4.5 – 11.7 μg/dL

METHOD: Electrochemiluminescence

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Evaluate thyroid function.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> Patients who have been regularly exposed to animals or

immunoglobulin fragments may produce antibodies that

interfere with immunoassays.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

T4, FREE

TEST NAME: T4, FREE

CPT CODE: 84339

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL plain red top tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: 0.93 1.70 ng/dL

METHOD: Chemiluminescent immunoassay

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Evaluate thyroid function.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> Patients who have been regularly exposed to animals or

immunoglobulin fragments may produce antibodies that

interfere with immunoassays.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

• Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

THEOPHYLLINE

TEST NAME: THEOPHYLLINE (AMINOPHYLLINE)

CPT CODE: 80198 (THEO)

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL tiger top tube (SST) **OR**

0.5 mL plasma from a green top tube (heparin).

REFERENCE RANGE: 10 – 20 μg/mL

CRITICAL VALUE: >25 μg/mL

METHOD: Kinetic interaction of microparticles in solution (KIMS)

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

• Results of specimens requested STAT will be reported

within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Monitor therapeutic drug level.

PATIENT PREPARATION: • Trough: Immediately prior to next dose.

Peak:

Route of Administration Collection Time After Dose

 IVP
 60 min.

 Oral (rapid release)
 2 hrs.

Oral (slow release)

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:• Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

• Centrifuge specimen; separate serum from cells within 2

hours of collection.

THYROID STIMULATING HORMONE

DID STIMULATING HORMONE
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(Ultrasensitive TSH)

CPT CODE: 84443 (TSH3)

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: 0.27 – 4.2 μIU/mL

METHOD: Electrochemiluminescence

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Differential diagnosis of primary hypothyroidism from

secondary hypothyroidism.

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> Patients who have been regularly exposed to animals or

immunoglobulin fragments may produce antibodies that

interfere with immunoassays.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:• Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

TOBRAMYCIN

TEST NAME: TOBRAMYCIN (NEBCIN)

CPT CODE: 80200: Random

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: See Pharmacy

CRITICAL VALUE: See Pharmacy

METHOD: Immunoassay

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: To monitor antibiotic therapy; test for insufficient or toxic

levels of tobramycin.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

TOTAL IRON BINDING CAPACITY

TIBC

TEST NAME: 83550 **CPT CODE:** 1 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube. **SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:** 112 - 225 µg/dL **REFERENCE RANGE:** Colorimetric **METHOD: LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST:** Chemistry **AVAILABILITY:** Daily **TURNAROUND TIME:** Routine, same shift testing. Results of specimens for total iron studies requested STAT will be reported within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

Evaluation of iron metabolism. **GENERAL USE OF TEST:**

Fasting is recommended. **PATIENT PREPARATION:**

Contraindicated during iron therapy. **LIMITATIONS:**

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: Collect specimen using standard laboratory procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

TRIGLYCERIDES

TEST NAME: TRIGLYCERIDES

CPT CODE: 84478 (TRIG)

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: <150 mg/dL

METHOD: Enzymatic

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Hyper or hypolipidemia.

PATIENT PREPARATION: Fasting is preferred.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

• Centrifuge specimen; separate serum from cells within 2

hours of collection.

TROPONIN T (High Sensitivity)

TEST NAME: TROPONIN-T

CPT CODE: 84484

REFERENCE RANGE: < Both Genders <19 ng/L

CRITICAL VALUE: ≥ 52 ng/L

 Due to release kinetics of cardiac Troponin T, an initial result may not be definitive in diagnosing MI. Serial cardiac troponin measurements are suggested.

METHOD: Electrochemiluminescence

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: • Daily or STAT

· Same shift testing.

TURNAROUND TIME: STAT specimens will be reported within 30 minutes of receipt

in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Cardiac specific marker, which is released after AMI or

ischemic damage. In contrast to ST-elevation myocardial infarction (STEMI), the diagnosis of non-ST elevation myocardial infarction (NSTEMI) relies heavily upon elevated cardiac troponin (cTn) concentrations in the appropriate

clinical context.

ST-elevation myocardial infarction (STEMI), the diagnosis of

non-ST

INTERPRETATION • Troponins are released during myocyte necrosis. While

the are cardiac specific, they are not specific for MI and detectable levels may be seen in other disease states that involve the heart muscle (e.g. arrhythmia, pericarditis, pulmonary embolism and Takotsubo cardiomyopathy), so that ACC/ESC/AHA guidelines and the Universal Definition of MI recommend serial sampling with a rise of fall in troponin to distinguish between acute and chronic CTN elevations. Results should be interpreted in conjunction with clinical presentation including medial history, signs and

symptoms, ECG data and biomarker concentrations.

TROPONIN T (High Sensitivity) continued

LIMITATIONS:

In rare cases, interference due to extremely high titers
of antibodies to analyte-specific antibodies,
streptavidin or ruthenium can occur. For diagnostic
purposes, the results should always be assessed in
conjunction with the patient's medical history, clinical
examination and other findings.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:

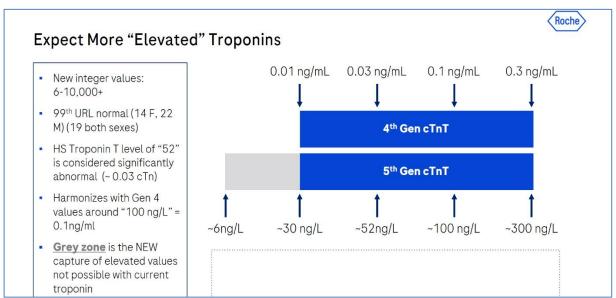
- Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.
- Centrifuge specimen; separate plasma from cells within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS

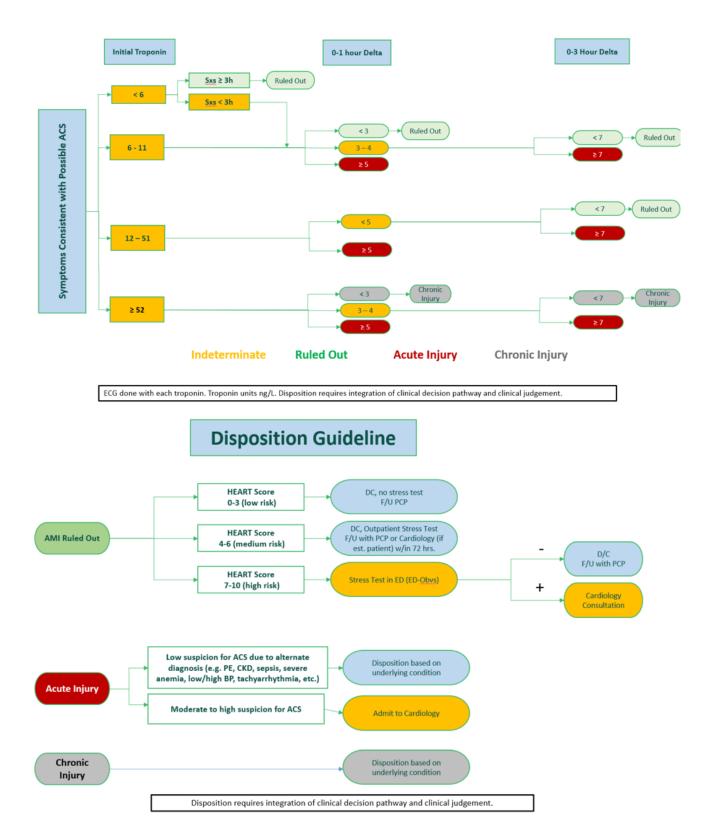
- Specimens may be stored for up to 24 hours at 2° -8°C.
- Freeze at -20°C or colder for prolonged storage (up to 12 months) prior to analysis.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

<u>Comparison of 4th and 5th Generation Troponin (Roche Diagnostics)</u>



TROPONIN T (High Sensitivity) continued

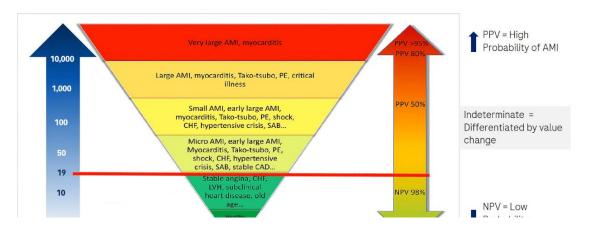


TROPONIN T (High Sensitivity) continued

Interpretive Diagram from Roche Diagnostics

Roche

Quantitative Levels of TnT Gen 5



UNFRACTIONATED HEPARIN

TEST NAME: UNFRACTIONATED HEPARIN, ANTI-Xa

CPT CODE: 85520

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Plasma from a full blue top tube (sodium citrate).

REFERENCE RANGE: 0.3 – 0.7 IU/mL

CRITICAL VALUE >1.0 IU/mL

METHOD: Photo-Optical

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Hematology

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Monitoring Therapy with Unfractionated Heparin

LIMITATIONS: • Clotted specimen.

Improper labeling.

• Specimen greater than 4 hours old.

• Incomplete filling of vacutainer.

• Grossly, hemolyzed, icteric or lipemic specimen.

Anticoagulant therapy should be noted on

requisition.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:

• Mix immediately after drawing.

• Centrifuge at 3500 g for 10 minutes.

Remove plasma within 24 hours of venipuncture.

Samples will be capped and held for 24 hours

after testing.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS

UREA NITROGEN, BLOOD

TEST NAME: UREA NITROGEN, BLOOD

CPT CODE: 84520 (BUN)

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: 6 - 23 mg/dL

CRITICAL VALUE >104 mg/dL

METHOD: Urease UV

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

Results of specimens requested STAT will be reported

within 60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Evaluation of kidney function.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: • Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells

within 2 hours of collection.

URIC ACID, BLOOD

TEST NAME: URIC ACID, BLOOD 84550 (URIC) **CPT CODE: SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:** 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube. **REFERENCE RANGE:** 2.4 - 5.7 mg/dLFemale: Male: $3.5 - 8.5 \, mg/dL$ Uricase **METHOD:** Chemistry **LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST:** Daily **AVAILABILITY: TURNAROUND TIME:** Same shift testing. **GENERAL USE OF TEST:** Diagnosis of gout and other metabolic disorders. **SPECIMEN PREPARATION:** Collect specimen using standard lab procedures. Centrifuge specimen; separate serum/plasma from cells within 2 hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS

Samples will be capped and held for 5 days after testing.

URIC ACID, URINE

TEST NAME: URIC ACID, URINE

CPT CODE: 84560 Random

24 Hour

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: Random urine or total 24-hour urine collected with no

preservative in a plastic jug obtained from the laboratory.

REFERENCE RANGE: 24-hour urine: 250 – 750 mg/24 hours

METHOD: Colorimetric

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Uric acid metabolism.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:• No preservatives necessary.

• Refrigerate during collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS• Samples will be capped and held for 4 days after

testing at room temperature (15 -25 degrees Celsius

upon addition of NaOH).

• Samples will not be refrigerated after receipt by the

Laboratory

URINALYSIS, ROUTINE

TEST NAME: URINALYSIS, ROUTINE

(pH, Color, Appearance, Specific Gravity, Protein, Leukocytes, Glucose, Ketone, Nitrite, Urobilinogen, Bilirubin, Hemoglobin and Microscopic if required)

CPT CODE: 81003

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 10 mL from a first morning clean catch midstream or

catheterized specimen.

REFERENCE RANGE: Reference ranges listed on report.

METHOD: Chemical reaction using a dipstick.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Urinalysis

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

Results of STAT specimens will be reported within

60 minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Evaluate kidney function, endocrine or metabolic disorders.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:• Submit clean catch midstream urine sample or a catheterized sample in a labeled, sealed container.

Samples transferred to collection containers

containing boric acid specified for urinalysis is also

acceptable.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS• Refrigerate up to 24 hours before analysis.

• Specimens left at room temperature for more than

2 hours are unacceptable.

URINE, MICROSCOPIC

TEST NAME: URINE, MICROSCOPIC

CPT CODE: 88108

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 10 mL from a first morning clean catch mid-stream or

catheterized specimen.

METHOD: Microscopic examination of urine sediment.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING

TEST:

Urinalysis

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

• Results of STAT specimens will be reported within 60

minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Detection of increased and/or abnormal formed elements.

LIMITATIONS: None. This test is included in a routine urinalysis when

abnormal dipstick readings are present.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: Submit clean catch mid-stream urine sample or a catheterized

sample in a labeled sealed container.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS • Refrigerate up to 24 hours before analysis.

• Specimens left at room temperature more than 2 hours are

unacceptable for assay.

VALPROIC ACID (DEPAKENE)

TEST NAME: VALPROIC ACID (DEPAKENE)

CPT CODE: 80164 (VALP)

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT:• 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

Do NOT collect in an SST tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: 50 – 100 μg/mL

CRITICAL VALUE: >100 μg/mL

METHOD: Enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (EIA)

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily or STAT

TURNAROUND TIME: • Same shift testing.

Results of STAT specimens will be resulting within 60

minutes of receipt in the laboratory.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Monitor therapeutic drug level.

PATIENT PREPARATION: Trough: Immediately prior to next dose.

Peak: Draw 1 – 3 hours after oral dose.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION:• Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

• Centrifuge specimen; separate serum from cells within 2

hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS• Samples will be capped and held for at 7 days after

testing.

VANCOMYCIN

VANCOMYCIN TEST NAME:

(VANCOCIN HCI)

80202 Random **CPT CODE:**

Trough Peak

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 0.5 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube.

REFERENCE RANGE: *Trough*: $10 - 20.0 \,\mu g / mL$

Peak: 30.0 - 50.0 µg /mL

Trough: $> 25 \mu g/mL$ **CRITICAL VALUE:** Peak: $> 80 \mu g/mL$

> Reference range is based on samples drawn 30 minutes after completion of a 60 minute infusion

METHOD: Immunoassay

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

Daily or STAT **AVAILABILITY:**

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing

Monitor therapeutic drug levels. **GENERAL USE OF TEST:**

PATIENT PREPARATION: *Trough*: 60 minutes to immediately prior to next dose.

Peak: Draw 2 hours after infusion complete.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: Collect specimen using standard lab procedures.

Centrifuge specimen; separate serum from cells within 2

hours of collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS Samples will be capped and held for 48 hours after

testing.

VITAMIN B12

VITAMIN B12 TEST NAME: **CPT CODE:** 82607 SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 1 mL serum from a 5 mL serum tube. **REFERENCE RANGE:** 211 - 946 pg/mL Electrochemiluminescence **METHOD:** Chemistry **LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST:** Daily **AVAILABILITY:** Same shift testing **TURNAROUND TIME:** Megaloblastic anemia, dietary deficiency. **GENERAL USE OF TEST: PATIENT PREPARATION:** Fasting is preferred. Patients who have been regularly exposed to animals or **LIMITATIONS:** immunoglobulin fragments may produce antibodies that interfere with immunoassays. Centrifuge and separate serum or plasma from cells **SPECIMEN PREPARATION:** immediately after collection.

ADD-ON REQUIREMENTS

Samples will be held for at least 24 hours after testing.

VITAMIN D

TEST NAME: VITAMIN D

CPT CODE: 82306

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 1 mL serum from a 5 mL Serum Separator Tube (SST).

REFERENCE RANGE: 30 – 100 ng/mL

Total fecal

Vitamin D Reference Range,

accordant with the Endocrine Society Clinical Guideline

(units of measure ng/mL)

Deficient <20 ng/mL Insufficient 20 - <30 ng/mL Sufficient 30 – 100 ng/mL Potential Toxicity >100 ng/mL

METHOD: Electrochemiluminescence

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Chemistry

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Vitamin D is important for general bone health. Vitamin D

deficiency (less than 10 ng/mL) is characterized by muscle

weakness, bone pain and fragility fractures.

PATIENT PREPARATION: None

<u>LIMITATIONS:</u> The effect of heterophilic antibodies on this assay's

performance has not been evaluated.

SPECIMEN PREPARATION: Centrifuge and separate serum from cells immediately after

collection.

WHITE BLOOD CELLS (WBC) STOOL

TEST NAME: WHITE BLOOD CELLS (WBC) STOOL

CPT CODE: 87205

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENT: 3 mL of fresh random stool specimen in a plastic screw top

container.

REFERENCE RANGE: No WBCs observed.

METHOD: Microscopic examination of modified Wright's Giemsa

stained smears.

LAB SECTION PERFORMING TEST: Hematology

AVAILABILITY: Daily

TURNAROUND TIME: Same shift testing.

GENERAL USE OF TEST: Differential diagnosis of diarrheal conditions.