

3/27/2015 - Immediate Action, Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute, Valencia

TEST CHANGES				
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Due to the background information related to these changes, we are unable to use our normal method of communication. These changes listed in this document are effective in less than 30 days. Please note the individual effective dates below, as some of these changes require IMMEDIATE ACTION.

## Test Changes

The following test changes will be effective on the dates indicated below. Please note information that is changing appears in bold text in this update. Former test names and test codes have been italicized.

Estrogen, Total, Serum	
Clinical Significance	<b>Estrogens are secreted by the gonads, adrenal glands, and placenta. Total Estrogens provide an overall picture of estrogen status for men and women.</b>
Effective Date	<b>4/6/2015</b>
Former Test Name	<i>Estrogens, Total</i>
Former Test Code	<i>3164</i>
Test Code	<b>439</b>
Specimen Requirements	<b>2 mL (1 mL minimum) serum</b> <b>Plasma is not an acceptable sample type</b>
Reject Criteria	<b>Gross hemolysis; grossly lipemic</b> <b>Remove all other reject criteria</b>
Specimen Stability	<b>Room temperature: 4 days</b> <b>Refrigerated: 14 days</b> <b>Frozen: 28 days</b>
Set-up/Analytic Time	<b>Set up: Sun-Fri; Report available: 5-7 days</b>

Reference Range	<b>Adult Female:</b>		<b>pg/mL</b>
	<b>Follicular Phase (1-12 days):</b>		<b>90-590</b>
	<b>Luteal Phase:</b>		<b>130-460</b>
	<b>Postmenopausal:</b>		<b>50-170</b>
	<b>Adult Male:</b>		<b>60-190</b>
Methodology	<b>Extraction, Radioimmunoassay</b>		
Performing Site	<b>This test previously performed at Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute, Valencia will now be performed at Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute, San Juan Capistrano.</b>		
Interface Mapping	<b>Result Code</b>	<b>Result Name</b>	
	<b>85990480</b>	<b>Estrogen, Total, Serum</b>	

**Discontinued Tests**

<b>Alpha-Subunit Pituitary Tumor Marker</b>	
<b>Effective Date</b>	<b>3/30/2015</b>
Test Code	92895
Additional Information	The recommended alternative is test code 8658- Alpha Subunit

<b>Custom Cleveland Clinic Estrogens, Total</b>	
<b>Effective Date</b>	<b>4/6/2015</b>
Test Code	P10035E
Additional Information	The recommended alternative is test code 439- Estrogens, Total, Serum

<b>Secretory Phospholipase A2, Type IIA (sPLA2)</b>	
<b>Effective Date</b>	<b>4/20/2015</b>
Test Code	91136
Additional Information	There is no recommended alternative

**New York Patient Testing Update**

<b>Alpha Subunit</b>	
Message	<b>**This test is available for New York patient testing.**</b>
Test Code	8658