Laboratory Update





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TEST CHANGES Please Note: Not all test codes assigned to each assay are listed in the table of contents. Please refer to the complete listing on the page numbers indicated.					
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<u>\$41192</u>		Chromium, RBCs	11/3/2014	1	
<u>\$49802</u>		Mineral Profile RBC	11/3/2014	1	

Due to these assays being performed by outside vendors, we are unable to use our normal method of communication. Some of the changes listed in this document may be effective in less than 30 days. Please note the individual effective dates below, as these changes may require **IMMEDIATE ACTION**.

Test Changes

Chromium, RBCs			
Message	**This test is not available for New York patient testing**		
Effective Date	11/3/2014		
Test Code	S41192		
Specimen Requirements	1 mL (0.4 mL minimum) whole blood collected in an EDTA (royal blue-top; trace metal-free) tube		
Reject Criteria	Received frozen; lithium heparin (light green-top); sodium heparin (tan-top); sodium heparin (royal blue-top; trace metal-free); sodium citrate (light blue-top); sodium fluoride/potassium oxalate (gray-top); ACD (yellow-top); EDTA (lavender-top); sodium heparin (green-top) tube		
Instructions	Centrifuge and separate plasma within 2 hours of collection. Leave RBCs in the original collection container and replace stopper.		

Mineral Profile RBC			
Message	**This test is not available for New York patient testing**		
Effective Date	11/3/2014		
Test Code	S49802		
Specimen Requirements	5 mL (2.5 mL minimum) whole blood collected in an EDTA (royal-blue top; trace metal-free) tube		
Specimen Stability	Room temperature: Unacceptable Refrigerated: 14 days Frozen: Unacceptable		