

REFERENCE VALUE CHANGE

NOTIFICATION DATE: October 20, 2011 **EFFECTIVE DATE:** November 18, 2011

Cholesterol, Total, Serum

Test ID: CHOL Secondary ID: #8320

EXPLANATION: Effective November 18, 2011, MML will implement new age-related reporting comments to supplement existing reference values. No other changes will occur at this time.

CURRENT REFERENCE VALUES:

The National Cholesterol Education Program (NCEP) has set the following guidelines (reference values) for cholesterol, total:

Desirable: <200 mg/dL

Borderline high: 200-239 mg/dL

High: > or =240 mg/dL

NEW REFERENCE VALUES:

NCEP guidelines (ages 18y and up) Desirable: <200

Borderline high: 200-239

High: > or = 240

NCEP guidelines (ages 24m-17y) Desirable: <170

Borderline high: 170-199

High: > or =200

Reference values have not been established for patients who are less than 24 months

of age.

NOTE: This change may impact test set-up information and could require a change to file definition. Please review the Test Set-Up information for specifics.

QUESTIONS: Contact your Mayo Medical Laboratories' Regional Manager Richard Einerson, Mayo Medical Laboratories' Technologist Support Telephone: 800-533-1710