

TEST UPDATE

REFERRAL

NOTIFICATION DATE: September 10, 2012

EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediately

C3A LEVEL

Test ID: FC3AL

Secondary ID: 90463

EXPLANATION: Effective immediately, Test ID FC3AL, referred to National Jewish Health, will reflect the following changes.

CURRENT SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS:

Draw blood in a lavender-top (EDTA) tube. **(No alternate specimen is acceptable.)** Mix well, centrifuge at ambient temperature within 1 hour of draw, and freeze immediately. Send 1 mL of EDTA plasma frozen in plastic vial. If specimen cannot be separated within 1 hour of draw, place on wet ice, and spin down in a refrigerated centrifuge.

NEW SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS:

Draw blood in a lavender-top (EDTA) tube. **(No alternate specimen is acceptable.)** Mix well, centrifuge at ambient temperature within one half hour of draw, and freeze immediately. Send 1 mL of EDTA plasma frozen in plastic vial

CURRENT REFERENCE VALUE: 0 - 940 ng/mL

NEW REFERENCE VALUE: 0 – 780 ng/mL

QUESTIONS: Contact Mary Erath, MML Laboratory Technologist Resource Coordinator
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