

**REPORTING, NAME AND
SPECIMEN CHANGE**

NOTIFICATION DATE: September 21, 2010

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 22, 2010

**THALLIUM, SERUM
#8149**

EXPLANATION: Multiple changes will take place on Test #8149 Thallium, Serum.

CURRENT PUBLISHED AND REPORTING NAME: Thallium, Serum

NEW PUBLISHED AND REPORTING NAME: Thallium, Blood

CURRENT REFERENCE VALUE: <10 ng/mL

NEW REFERENCE VALUE: 0-1 ng/mL

CURRENT SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS: 1 ml Serum.

NEW SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS: Draw a full, royal blue-top Monoject trace element blood collection tube, product #8881-307022 (Supply T183), containing EDTA as an anticoagulant. Send whole blood specimen refrigerated in original vacutainer. **(Green-top [heparin] tube is not acceptable.)**

CAUTIONS: High concentrations of gadolinium and iodine are known to interfere with most metals tests. If either gadolinium- or iodine-containing contrast media has been administered, a specimen cannot be collected for 96 hours.

NOTE: No changes in CPT or fee will occur.

QUESTIONS: Contact your Mayo Medical Laboratories' Regional Manager or
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