



MEMORANDUM

À / To: All clients
De / From: The Laboratory
Objet / Subject : New procedure: Troponin T HS reflex for elevated CK results
Date: September 4th, 2012

Dear Valued Clients,

As of September 4th 2012, CDL Laboratories will introduce reflex testing for all patients who have elevated Creatine Kinase (CK) results. Troponin T high sensitivity (HS) will automatically be performed for these patients.

Troponin T and I are specific for cardiac muscle, contrary to CK-MB which can be found in different muscle tissues other than cardiac. To summarize, Troponin (T or I) is the best option for detecting cardiac muscle injury. It is more specific and sensitive than CK-MB.

As a result of this new CK reflex testing procedure and with the decreased role of CK-MB for diagnosing cardiac muscle injury, CK-MB will no longer be offered in house at CDL Laboratories. CK-MB testing will now be sent out to an external laboratory for analysis. This change will increase the turn around time for CK-MB testing to 2 working days.

The CDL code for this CK reflex test will remain the same (i.e. CK). There will be no additional charge for Troponin T (HS) when it is required for patients with elevated CK results. Please contact us for the price update.

If you require information regarding this memo, please do not hesitate to contact the laboratory at: (514)-344-8022 ext. 223.

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