TEST UPDATE

Insulin Submit Temperature/Testing Schedule Update UVMMC

Effective 1/24/2024, the preferred submission temperature for specimens for Insulin testing will change from frozen to **refrigerated**, as UVMMC has validated the stability for refrigerated (2-8°C) specimens up to 7 days. This means that specimens should no longer be placed on a frozen packing list, but, instead, should be placed on a **refrigerated packing list**. This change is being made to avoid missing specimens for Insulin testing when the sample was not placed on the frozen packing list. This will also help clients/providers with workflow since it will no longer be necessary to make a frozen aliquot for Insulin.

Updated Orderable	Epic Code	Atlas Code	Mayo Access ID	Order LOINC	CPT Code
Insulin	LAB527	INS	FAH201	20448-7	83525
Result Component Name	Epic Code	Atlas Code	Mayo Access ID	Result LOINC	Notes
Insulin	12301002032	INS	FAH201	20448-7	
Specimen Requirements:					
Container	Specimen	Tempera- ture	Collect Vol	Submit Vol	Min Vol
SST	Serum	Refrigerated	4 mL	1 mL	0.3 mL
Collection Information:					
Stability: 7 days					
The patient should be fasting, as the reference ranges are based on fasting individuals.					
Serum should be removed from	the clot, serum sepa	rator, or red bloo	d cells as soon as poss	ible.	

The testing schedule for Insulin will also change from the current 2 days/week (Monday and Thursday) to **3 days/week** (Monday, Wednesday, and Friday), which will improve turn-around-time.

If you have any questions about these changes, please reach out to UVMMC Laboratory Customer Service at (802) 847-5121 or UVMMC Chemistry at (802) 847-5117.

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