

Acceptable Tube Types

Pro-BNP



Alternate Name:		N-Terminal Pro-Brain Natriuretic Peptide, NT-proBNP
Performing Lab:		NHRMC-Core Lab , NHRMC-ED Lab, NHRMC-Ortho Lab, NHRMC-ED North Lab and Pender Hospital Lab
Specimen Container:		Yellow serum separator tube, Green top tube (lithium heparin), Lavender top tube or Red top tube
Minimum Volume Required:		1.0 mL whole blood
Testing Availability	Routine: Stat:	24 hours/day Yes
Turnaround Time:		Routine: 4 hours Stat: < 1 hour
Reference Range:		Age: Normal Range: <75 years of age < 125 pg/mL < 450 pg/mL
Interpretive comment:		NT-proBNP value Heart Failure (Likely/Unlikely)
		Any age: <300 pg/mL Unlikely
		Age <50 years: >450 pg/mL Likely
		Age 50-75 years: >900 pg/mL Likely
		Age >75 years: >1800 pg/mL Likely
Critical Value:		N/A
CPT Code:		83880
Testing Methodology:		chemiluminescent
Causes for Specimen Rejection:		Improper labeling
Clinical Significance:		Support a diagnosis of congestive heart failure (CHF).