



Cancellation Rules – Repeat Testing Interval Guidelines

Note: For select laboratory tests in the following list, the patient’s most recent test result will chart if a test request is cancelled by the repeat testing interval rules.

Laboratory Test	Repeat Intervals	Additional Information
Hemoglobin A1C*	80 days	<p>These tests will be automatically cancelled if ordered before the repeat interval unless the clinical practitioner has provided clinical information to justify earlier repeat testing.</p> <p>* Laboratory Tests in blue: The clinical practitioner will have to supply justification directly to the Laboratory Hematopathologist.</p>
Alpha Fetoprotein Tumor Marker	8 weeks	
Cystic Fibrosis Culture	72 hours	
Cytomegalovirus (CMV) IgG	Cancelled if previous positive exists.	
Erythrocyte Sedimentation Rate*	If both CRP and ESR are ordered together, only the CRP will be performed. If ESR only is ordered, the indication needs to be written on the requisition. Combined ESR and CRP orders need to be approved by a Hematopathologist. [Specific parameters apply for Rheumatology, Ophthalmology or Orthopedics patients]	
Ferritin	8 weeks	
Free PSA	12 weeks also cancelled if Total PSA is <4.0 µg/L	
Chlamydia trachomatis (CT) and Neisseria gonorrhoeae (GC)	Cancelled if previously positive within 4 weeks	
Chlamydia trachomatis (CT) and Neisseria gonorrhoeae (GC) in females over 45 years	Testing restricted to those with symptoms, known exposure, and those with multiple recent partners	
Genital Smear for Vaginosis	7 days	
Helicobacter pylori	Cancelled if previous positive exists.	
Hepatitis C screen	Cancelled if previous positive exists, the laboratory information system will automatically order a Hepatitis C RNA PCR Qualitative	
Hereditary Hemochromatosis	Cancelled if previous report exists.	
Immunoglobulins*	28 days	
Light chains*	28 days	
Methicillin Resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (MRSA) Surveillance	Cancelled if positive in last 3 months.	
Ova and Parasite Examination	18 hours	
Parasite EIA	30 days	



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Prostate Specific Antigen	12 weeks	
Rubella IgG	Cancelled if previous positive result of ≥ 15.0 IU/ml exists.	
Serum Immunofixation*	28 days and based on SPE findings	
Serum Protein Electrophoresis* (SPE)	28 days	
Stool Culture	48 hours	
Thyroid Stimulating Hormone	8 weeks	
Thyroxine, Free (FT4)	8 weeks	
Toxoplasma IgG*	Cancelled if previous positive exists.	
Urine Immunofixation*	Requires pathologist approval	
Urine Protein Electrophoresis*	Requires pathologist approval	
Vitamin B12 Level	12 weeks	
Vitamin D	1 year	
Immunopathology Vasculitis Panel Anti-Nuclear Antibody (ANA) Panel Miscellaneous Immunopathology Tests	Detailed information found here	