## Clinical Laboratory Special Update FREE T3 (LAB137)

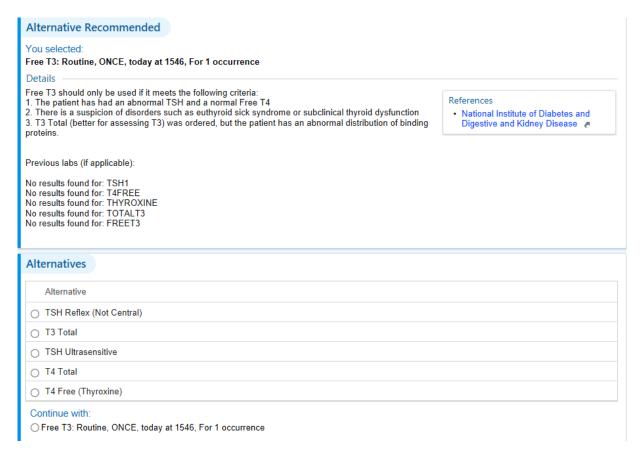
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## **UCHealth South Region Providers:**

In an effort to reduce the misuse of Free T3, UCHealth laboratories system-wide are implementing ordering questions and recommendations for alternative tests upon order of Free T3. Questions and recommendations align with current guidelines. The attached educational PowerPoint further explains these changes. Free T3 testing will continue to be orderable. However, alternative test recommendations and the following statement will be presented:

Free T3 should only be used if it meets the following criteria:

- 1. The patient has had an abnormal TSH and a normal Free T4.
- 2. There is a suspicion of disorders such as euthyroid sick syndrome or subclinical thyroid dysfunction. If Free T3 is still the desired test, the order can still be selected.



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