

DATE: April 5, 2018
TO: Attending Staff, House Staff, Nursing, Clinics
FROM: Dr. Fred Apple, Medical Director, Clinical Laboratories
SUBJECT: AFP Tumor Marker, Inhibin A (Dimer), Thyroglobulin Antibody (ATG), Thyroid Peroxidase Antibody (TPO) Moving to ARUP

Effective April 10, 2018 the HCMC laboratories will no longer be performing Alpha Fetoprotein (AFP) Tumor Marker, Inhibin A (Dimer), Thyroglobulin Antibody (ATG), and Thyroid Peroxidase (TPO) Antibody testing. These tests will now be completed at ARUP Laboratories (our send out laboratory), due to low testing volumes and an instrument retirement.

The new turnaround times will be 1-2 days. There are no changes in specimen type or process for ordering. Except for the Thyroid Peroxidase (TPO) Antibody test, reference ranges will remain unchanged. For the Thyroid Peroxidase (TPO) Antibody test, the new (ARUP) reference range will be: 0-9.0 IU/mL.

Please contact Dr. Apple (873-3324), Dr. Love (873-2813) or Jennifer Nicholson (Chemistry Supervisor, 873-3017) with any questions.