## **Routine/Scheduled Collection**

drawn by phlebotomist

- AM draw drawn 4am-10am
- Discharge labs drawn by 8am
- Recurring labs (q4h, q6h etc)
- Scheduled labs (@1800, etc)

time: ± 2 hours

Not drawn between 11pm - 4am

#### **STAT Collection**

drawn by nurse

 Emergent blood draws time: within 15-30 minutes

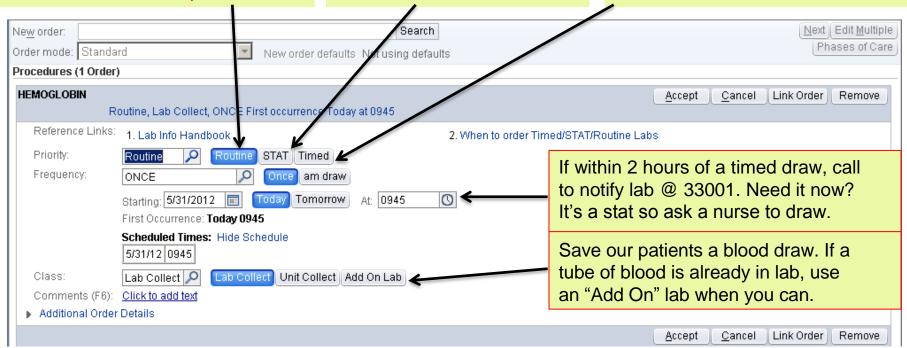
Must notify nurse
Not drawn by phlebotomist

#### **Timed Collection**

drawn by phlebotomist

 Precisely timed labs time: ± 20 minutes
 Only for eligible tests (flip for list)

If ineligible for timed collection, it is collected as routine



# To order most labs:

Priority = Routine

Frequency = Once

# To order AM labs:

Priority = Routine

Frequency = am draw

# Recurring labs (q4h, q6h, etc):

Priority = Routine

Frequency = (q4h, q6h, etc)

#### **Inpatient Lab Ordering Basics**

#### Timed – drawn by phlebotomist, if order placed at least 2 hours before time of collection:

• TIMED eligible tests are listed below. If a test is not timed eligible the order will be collected as routine.

APTT	Cortisol	Hemoglobin	Newborn Metabolic Screen	Tacrolimus
Acetaminophen	Cyclosporine	Lactate for Sepsis protocol	Potassium	Tobramycin
Anti Xa	Digoxin	Lithium	PT/INR	Troponin
Blood Morphology	Free Dilantin	Magnesium	Salicylate	Valproate
Carbamazepine	Gentamycin	Newborn Bilirubin	Sodium	Vancomycin

#### **Add-on Tests:**

- Use this feature only when a tube is already in the lab. Add on tube type info at <a href="Common Tube Types">Common Tube Types</a>
- If a suitable tube is not available, lab will notify you of need to place a new order.

### Remember to use the Rounding navigator to avoid duplicate lab orders:

- Review existing lab orders before placing new orders; other providers may have ordered similar/duplicate labs on your patient already
- •The Rounding Navigator can be used to Modify existing orders (by Cancel and Reordering)

#### Draw times for specific patient populations:

- Birthing center babies Routine draws from 6-10am and 6-9:30pm
- Inpatient psychiatry Routine draws from 7-11am daily (orders must be placed by 7am)

#### Missing results:

- Cancelled? It may have been modified, so canceled and reordered, by you, another provider, or a nurse. It may also have been combined (e.g. Potassium and BMP), automatically canceled as a duplicate order, or cancelled as an irretrievable specimen that can no longer be collected (i.e. 30 min post stimulation draw). Check in Chart Review and Rounding Navigator.
- Lab test has not been drawn at the appropriate time? Check with nurse, using "Doc Flowsheet" in Epic, to see if the patient is a nurse collect. Check "Progress Notes" for "blood drawer" notes for other reasons of delayed or missed draws (e.g. patient not in room at collection time).

### Three key reminders to save you time and frustration:

- 1. STAT labs are drawn by a nurse not a phlebotomist, so remember to tell nurse about your STAT collection
- 2. Save your patient extra needle sticks by using an Add On lab whenever possible
- 3. Hospital guidelines regarding duplicate orders may result in a cancelation, so avoid placing duplicate orders