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UNITYPOINT HEALTH - MERITER LABORATORIES TEST ANNOUNCEMENT Neonatal RPR Test

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Effective immediately, a new Neonatal RPR (Rapid Plasma Reagin) test has been created for patients <1 year of age in accordance with testing recommendations from the CDC for Congenital Syphilis. Along with these recommendations, TP-PA confirmation testing is not recommended; however, an RPR titer will be done on all reactive results.

Test Name: RPR, Neonatal Epic/SQ Order Code: LAB3195, RPRNEO Specimen Requirements: Serum – refrigerated and <5 days old Turn around time: 2-3 days Rejection criteria: plasma, spinal fluid, samples received frozen or at ambient temperatures, and samples >5 days old CPT: 86592

This test is not part of a reflex testing algorithm and results must be interpreted according to clinical context. For evaluation of congenital syphilis and management of syphilis during pregnancy, please refer to CDC guidelines:

- <u>https://www.cdc.gov/std/treatment-guidelines/congenital-syphilis.htm</u>
- https://www.cdc.gov/std/treatment-guidelines/syphilis-pregnancy.htm

Please update your preference list with the new EAP number.

If you have any questions, please call the UnityPoint Health - Meriter Laboratories Client Services Department at 608-417-6529 or 1-800-236-0465.