Therapeutic Drug Monitoring (TDM)
Clinical Laboratory Patient Instructions

What are patient instructions?
Patient instructions are written toward helping explain the proper way in collecting laboratory specimens. If followed correctly, you are ensuring your test results will be accurate and reliable. They are instructions to be followed before, during and after the collection process. This is a vital step in the outcome of your laboratory results.

Contacts:
If you have any questions before, during or after the collection, feel free to contact the following:

Nekoosa Clinic Laboratory
Monday-Friday; 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
(715) 886-2140

Lakes Clinic Laboratory
Monday-Friday; 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
(715) 325-8340

Wisconsin Rapids Clinic Lab Area
Monday-Friday; 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
(715) 422-7767

Riverview Hospital - Main Laboratory
Monday-Friday; 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Saturday-Sunday; 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
(715) 421-7433

Instructions:
Your doctor has ordered a therapeutic drug level.
1) Therapeutic drug monitoring (TDM) is a branch of clinical chemistry that specializes in the measurement of medication levels in your blood.
2) It is very important that you do not take your medication for the test being done until after your blood is drawn (maintenance level).

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<td>All other drugs</td>
<td>Refer to step #2 above</td>
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** Important Instruction **
It is best to NOT take your medication for the test being done until after your blood is drawn or right before the next dose is taken. This will give an accurate result, and your doctor will then know how the medication is working.
Lab Appointment Needed:
Please call ahead and schedule your lab appointment if you need lab work done or are dropping off your specimen.

Nekoosa Clinic
(715) 886-2100

Lakes Clinic
(715) 325-8300

Wisconsin Rapids Clinic
(715) 421-7474

Our Commitment
We are committed to help and assist you in every possible way. This is done by providing the most accurate and precise patient instructions. We hope your experience will be positive. If you feel we can improve these instructions, please call or email the Clinic Laboratory Supervisor directly at any time. We value your input in making our services better.

Riverview Family Clinic
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Thank You

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