

# SERVICE UPDATE

**CAMPUS AFFECTED:** Methodist and Proctor

## AFFECTS PATIENT CARE

**Date of Notification: 07/21/2017**

A recent notification from our laboratory manufacturer was received stating that the use of Sulfasalazine and Sulfapyridine can interfere with the chemistry analyzer used in the UnityPoint Methodist/Proctor laboratories.

Due to the assay use of NADH/NADPH, when patients are on these medications, the following tests can have either false elevation or depression of results:

- Ammonia
- AST
- ALT
- Glucose
- T4

If your patients need these labs ordered, please draw labs prior to administration of these medications.

For further information refer to UnityPoint Methodist Laboratory User Manual

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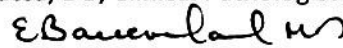
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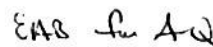
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