

SERVICE UPDATE



UnityPoint Health
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CAMPUS AFFECTED: Proctor

AFFECTS PATIENT CARE

TEST NAME: Erythrocyte Sedimentation Rate (ESR)

DATE OF CHANGE: 3/5/2018

REPLACING: NA

SPECIMEN TYPE: 5ml Lavender EDTA Tube

ORDERING CODES:

EPIC: LAB322

NEW: NA

SQ: ESR

NEW: NA

OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION:

In an effort to transition to the regionalization of laboratory services of in the Peoria region, all Erythrocyte Sedimentation Rate (ESR) testing will now be performed at Methodist campus laboratory.

Literature shows that C-Reactive Protein (CRP) is a more sensitive and accurate reflection of acute phase inflammation compared to ESR. CRP is recommended and still offered at the Proctor campus (EPIC Code: LAB149 SQ CODE: CRP)

Specimen stability requirements are: Ambient: 8 hours; refrigerated: 12 hours.

Testing is performed Sunday through Saturday.

Reference: <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC4653962/>

For further information refer to UnityPoint Methodist Laboratory User Manual

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