

SCC-LIS_TIP OF THE WEEK

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TOPIC/QUESTION:

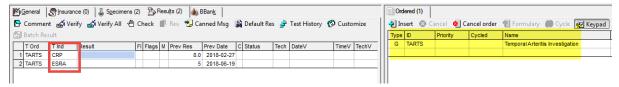
I have a clinical diagnosis of questionable temporal arteritis – how do I order the CRP and ESR tests together?

ANSWER/TIP:

As per the Choosing Wisely NWT instruction, a clinical diagnosis of temporal arteritis warrants the testing of both ESR and CRP. In order to bypass the rule restricting the ordering of ESR and CRP concurrently, a test code of TART – Temporal Arteritis Investigation, has been created.

Possible Scenarios:

1. If the requisition states "Temporal Arteritis" as Clinical Info – order test code: TART (depending on your site of ordering – test code that populates may actually be TARTS)



- 2. Practitioner calls after they receive the report to indicate patient does have clinical diagnosis of Temporal Arteritis
 - a. Cancel the ESRNO test with a cancellation reason indicating the physician who phoned and the diagnosis of temporal arteritis was given.
 - b. Order TART test code. Verified results for CRP will move to the new test code but ESR will order

