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- 95536.570 Result Reporting, Receipt of Telephone Orders and Verbal Orders

Turnaround Time Standards for Results Reporting

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TITLE: TURNAROUND TIME STANDARDS FOR RESULT REPORTING

Laboratory Testing

(excludes batched testing, microbiology, pathology, and referral lab testing)

Test Priority	Turnaround Time Standard from Test Order until Test Completion	Turnaround Time Standard from Test Specimen Collection until Test Completion	Turnaround Time Standard from Receipt in Lab until Test Completion
STAT (Stat Collection and Stat Testing)	<90 minutes	<80 minutes	<60 minutes (or less if test-specific standard exists)
TIMED STUDY STAT (Collected at assigned time, but to be tested STAT)	<90 minutes	<80 minutes	<60 minutes (or less if test-specific standard exists)
ROUTINE (Routine Collection and Routine Testing)	<4.5 hours	<4.3 hours	< 4 hours (or less if test-specific standard exists)

Laboratory Blood Gas

(Arterial, Capillary, Venous, and Pleural Fluid pH- does not include POCT iStat)

Test Priority	Turnaround Time Standard from Test Order until Test Completion	Turnaround Time Standard from Test Specimen Collection until Test Completion	Turnaround Time Standard from Receipt in Lab until Test Completion
STAT (Stat Collection and Stat Testing)		≤30 minutes	
ROUTINE (Routine Collection and Routine Testing)		≤15 minutes if not on ice ≤60 minutes if on ice	