

DISCONTINUATION OF **SERUM** DRUG SCREENS FOR BARBITURATES AND BENZODIAZEPINES

Effective Thursday February 1, 2018, <u>serum</u> drug screens for barbiturates and benzodiazepines will no longer be performed at Wisconsin Diagnostic Laboratories. Drug Panels including these tests will be also be discontinued. Please refer to the table below for details.

Discontinued Serum Tests	Mnemonic	Panel Components		
Barbiturates Screen	BARB SC	N/A		
Benzodiazepines Screen	BENZ SC	N/A		
Drug Panel, Serum	DRG PN	Acetaminophen, Barbiturates, Benzodiazepines, Ethanol, Salicylate, and Tricyclic Antidepressants		
Comprehensive Drug Screen	COMP DR SC	8 Drug Panel Urine: Amphetamines, Barbiturates, Benzodiazepines, Cannabinoids (THC/Marijuana), Cocaine (Benzoylecgonine), Methadone, and Opiates		
		and		
		Drug Panel, Serum: Acetaminophen, Barbiturates, Benzodiazepines, Ethanol, Salicylate, and Tricyclic Antidepressants		

Acetaminophen, Ethanol, Salicylate, and Tricyclic Antidepressant testing on serum specimens is still available as individual orders.

Test	Mnemonic	Test Code	CPT Code
Acetaminophen, Quantitative	ACETAMIN	8000540	80302
Salicylate	ASA	1000909	80302
Ethanol, Serum	ЕТОН	8000500	80301
Tricyclic Antidepressant Screen	TCA SC	8000569	80301

For Barbiturate and Benzodiazepine screening, urine specimens are recommended. Please visit our website at www.wisconsindiagnostic.com and refer to our test directory for the appropriate screening test/panel. Testing for these drugs on serum will be approved for patient populations with difficulties providing urine and will be sent to a reference laboratory for testing. Other circumstances that warrant testing in serum will be approved on a case by case basis.

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