

Testosterone Total

Order Name: **TESTTTL**
Revision Date: 10/21/2015

TEST NAME	METHODOLOGY			LOINC CODE
Testosterone Total				
SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS				
Specimen	Specimen Volume (min)	Specimen Type	Specimen Container	Transport Environment
Preferred	3.0 mL (1.5 mL)	Serum	Serum Gel Tube	Refrigerated
Alternate 1	3.0 mL (1.5 mL)	Serum	Red Top	Refrigerated
Instructions	<p>NRHS will perform Total Testosterone testing on all males 18 years and older. Specimens on females and children 17 and under will be sent to RML.</p> <p>PROCESSING INSTRUCTIONS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Allow serum sample to clot completely before centrifugation.2. Keep tube stoppered at all times.3. Sample must be centrifuged and separated from cells within 2 hrs. of blood draw.4. Remove any residual fibrin or cellular matter. <p>STABILITY:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Separated serum may be stored at room temperature for up to 8 hours.2. Separated serum may be stored at 2 to 8°C for up to 48 hours.3. Separated serum may be stored frozen at -15°C to -20°C if extended storage is necessary.4. Frozen samples can be thawed and frozen up to two times. <p>Label specimen with patient name (first and last) or other unique identifier, patient hospital identification number or Social Security number, date and time of draw, collector's initials, and test being ordered.</p> <p>STORAGE:</p> <p>Room Temp, Refrigerated, or Frozen.</p> <p>REJECT DUE TO:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Grossly hemolyzed specimens must not be used.2. Specimens outside recommended specimen storage temperature and stability.			
Reference Range	See Interpretive Report			
Methodology	Competitive Binding Immunoenzymatic			

GENERAL INFORMATION

Testing Schedule	Sunday through Saturday
Expected TAT	3 Hours
Stat TAT	45 Minutes
CPT Code(s)	84403
Lab Section	NRLS-Core Chemistry