

Critical Value Notification List

Analyte	Critical Value	
Acetaminophen		> 50 ug/mL
Alcohol		> 200 mg/dL
Ammonia		> 150 mcg/dL
Amylase		> 500 U/L
Calcium	< 6.5 mg/dL	> 13.0 mg/dL
CO2	< 12 mEq/L	> 40 mEq/L
Carbamazepine (tegretol)		> 12.0 ug/mL
Cortisol	< 1.0 ug/dL	
Digoxin		> 2.4 ng/mL
Glucose	< 40.0 mg/dL	> 500 mg/dL
Hemoglobin	< 7.0 g/dL	
Lactate		> 4.0 mg/dL
Lithium		> 2.0 mEq/L
Magnesium	< 1.0 mg/dL	> 5.0 mg/dL
Phenobarbital		> 40. ug/mL
Phenytoin (dilantin)		> 20.0 ug/mL
Phenytoin (dilantin-Free)		>2.5 ug/ml
Potassium	< 2.5 mEq/L	> 6.5 mEq/L
Phosphorus	< 1.8 mg/dL	> 9.9 mg/dL
Platelet	< 30,000/uL	> 850,000/uL
PT		> 43 sec
PTT		> 100 sec
Salicylate		> 29 mg/dL
Sodium	< 120 mEq/L	> 155 mEq/L
Total Bilirubin		> 15 mg/dL
T4, total	< 1.6 U.mL	
Theophylline		> 25 mg/dL
TSH		> 50 U/mL
Valproic Acid		> 100 ug/mL
WBC	< 2,500/uL	> 40,000/uL
Rapid HIV (stat lab)	Reactive	
Fetal Fibronectin	Positive or Negative	

MICROBIOLOGY/SEROLOGY/ VIROLOGY		
Blood Parasites	Positive smears	
Fungus	Positive from sterile body sites; NYS reportables; dimorphic or systemic fungus	
DFA	Positive smears	
AFB	Positive smears; cultures	
VDRL	Positive CSF	
Bacterial Antigens	Positive from CSF, blood or urine	
Gram Stain	Positive Blood cultures; sterile body fluids	
Cultures	Positive CSF or sterile body fluids; organisms considered unusual, reportable; epidemiologically important or highly invasive.	