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HEPATITIS C TEST

DESCRIPTION

There are several types of hepatitis – each caused by a different hepatitis virus. Hepatitis is an inflammation of the liver that can be contracted through unprotected sex, using contaminated needles, or other causes. The Hepatitis C Virus (HCV) Test only tests for Hepatitis C (You may want to consider the Hepatitis Panel, also available).

Common Variations of Hepatitis:

- Hepatitis A can be caused by consuming contaminated water or food.
- Hepatitis B can be contracted through sharing contaminated needles, having unprotected sex, or being exposed to infected blood from another person.
- Hepatitis C can be spread by blood from contaminated needles during drug use or tattooing as well as by having unprotected sex.

WHY DO I NEED THIS TEST?

Hepatitis C often leads to chronic hepatitis, which can progress to cirrhosis and even liver cancer. Early detection of the virus can alert your physician to follow your liver function tests more closely to consider treatments if you have a chronic infection.

HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE TO GET MY LAB TEST RESULTS?

Test results generally take between 24 to 72 business hours after your specimen is collected.

AM I REQUIRED TO FAST FOR THIS LAB TEST?

No. You are not required to fast for this test.

OTHER RELEVANT LAB TESTS

Customers typically purchase the Hepatitis Panel instead of just Hepatitis C Virus Antibody because it tests for 3 variations of the hepatitis virus, not just one. Tests that go along with Hepatitis C Virus Antibody Test include the Hepatic Panel and the Annual Check-Up.

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