

Bilirubin, Total

Acceptable Tube Types



Alternate Name:	None	
Performing Lab:	New Hanover and Cape Fear	
Specimen Container:	Yellow serum separator tube or Green top tube (lithium heparin) or Red top tube	
Minimum Volume Required:	1.0 mL	
Testing Availability	Routine:	24 hours/day
	Stat:	Yes
Turnaround Time:	Routine:	4 hours
	Stat:	< 1 hour
Special Handling:	Protect from light	
Patient Preparation:	None	
Specimen Stability:		
Reference Range:	New Hanover Range - 0.2 – 1.3 mg/dL Cape Fear Range- 0.2 – 1.0 mg/dl	
Critical Value:	For adults: > 15.0 mg/dL For neonates: > 10.0 mg/dL	
CPT Code:	82247	
Testing Methodology:	Endpoint Colorimetric	
Causes for Specimen Rejection:	Improper labeling Hemolysis	
Other Comments:		
Clinical Significance:	Causes of high bilirubin include liver diseases such as hepatitis, cholangitis, cirrhosis, other types of liver disease including primary or secondary neoplasia, and alcoholism.	