

Acceptable Tube Types



## Creatinine

<b>Alternate Name:</b>	None
<b>Performing Lab:</b>	New Hanover and Cape Fear
<b>Specimen Container:</b>	Yellow, green (lithium heparin) or red tube Yellow, green, or red microtainer
<b>Minimum Volume Required:</b>	2.0 mL whole blood 500 uL whole blood from microtainer
<b>Testing Availability</b>	<b>Routine:</b> 24 hours/day <b>Stat:</b> Yes
<b>Turnaround Time:</b>	<b>Routine:</b> 4 hours <b>Stat:</b> < 1 hour
<b>Special Handling:</b>	None
<b>Patient Preparation:</b>	None
<b>Specimen Stability:</b>	
<b>Reference Range:</b>	Neonate: 0.3 – 0.7 mg/dL Adult: 0.6 – 1.3 mg/dL
<b>Critical Value:</b>	>9.9 mg/dL (non-dialysis)
<b>CPT Code:</b>	82565
<b>Testing Methodology:</b>	Rate
<b>Causes for Specimen Rejection:</b>	Improper labeling
<b>Other Comments:</b>	
<b>Clinical Significance:</b>	Serum creatinine is useful in the evaluation of kidney function and in monitoring renal dialysis.