



## Laboratory Services Important Test Announcement

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### HEPATITIS A VIRUS ANTIBODIES, TOTAL

**New Test Code: XHAVAB**

**Live Date: 6/18/2024**

Effective June 18, 2024, Hepatitis A IgG Antibody, Serum (XHAVIGG) will be deactivated as it is no longer offered by our reference laboratory. Hepatitis A Virus Antibodies, Total (XHAVAB) will replace this test. The Hepatitis A Virus Antibodies, Total detects both IgG and IgM antibodies but does not differentiate between them. XHAVIGG will no longer be orderable.

- **Methodology:** Qualitative Chemiluminescent Immunoassay
- **Performed:** Daily
- **Turnaround Time:** 2 days
- **Specimen Required:**
  - **Collect**
    - Whole blood
      - Gold tube
      - Red tube
      - Purple tube (EDTA)
  - **Specimen Volume**
    - 3 mL
  - **Specimen Preparation**
    - Centrifuge within 2 hours, remove plasma/serum
  - **Storage/Transport/Temperature**
    - Refrigerate
  - **Unacceptable Conditions**
    - Heat treated specimen, gross hemolysis, gross lipemia, citrate specimens, specimens containing particulate material
  - **Stability:**
    - Whole blood
      - Room Temperature – 2 hours
    - Serum/Plasma
      - Refrigerated – 7 days
      - Frozen – Indefinitely
  - **Comments:**
    - Assay detects both IgG and IgM antibodies but does not differentiate between them.

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If you have any additional questions about **XHAVAB**, please refer to the Laboratory Test Directory or call Client Services at 614-722-5477.