

Laboratory Medicine Bulletin

Carbamazepine, plasma Change in location of testing

Effective date	July 20, 2021
Change	Plasma carbamazepine (Tegretol) testing will no longer be performed onsite at St. Paul's Hospital. Samples will instead be referred to another local lab for testing.
Turnaround time	The expected turnaround time for results will remain unchanged at 24 hours for collections received in the SPH laboratory between Sunday afternoon and Friday morning. For collections received between Friday afternoon and Sunday morning, results are expected by the following Monday afternoon.
Urgent testing	If urgent testing is required, please contact the SPH laboratory.
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