Specimen Required: Collect: Lavender (EDTA) or Green (Sodium or Lithium Heparin).

New York State Clients: Lavender (EDTA).

Specimen Preparation: Transport 4 mL whole blood. (Min: 0.5 mL)

New York State Clients: Transport 3 mL whole blood in the original collection tube. (Min: 1.5 mL) Do not send to ARUP Laboratories. Specimen must be received at performing laboratory within 48 hours of collection. For specimen requirements and direct submission instructions please contact ARUP Referral Testing at (800) 242-2787, ext. 5145.

Storage/Transport Temperature: Refrigerated. Also acceptable: Room temperature.

New York State Clients: Room temperature.

Remarks: Specimens must be analyzed within 72 hours of collection.

New York State Clients: Specimens must be analyzed within 48 hours of collection.

Unacceptable Conditions: Cord blood. Specimens older than 72 hours. Clotted or hemolyzed specimens.

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): Ambient: 72 hours; Refrigerated: 72 hours; Frozen: Unacceptable

New York State Clients: Ambient: 48 hours; Refrigerated: Unacceptable; Frozen: Unacceptable