

HOTLINE: Effective February 22, 2022

0020730 Beta-hCG, Quantitative (Tumor Marker), CSF

BHCG CSF

Specimen Required: Collect: CSF. Also acceptable: CSF collected in plain red or green (lithium heparin).

Specimen Preparation: Transfer 0.5 mL CSF to an ARUP Standard Transport Tube. (Min: 0.3 mL)

Storage/Transport Temperature: Refrigerated. <u>Unacceptable Conditions:</u> Any other body fluids.

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): Ambient: 5 days; Refrigerated: 2 weeks; Frozen: 1 year