

HOTLINE: Effective February 22, 2022

0070140 **T4 Thyroxine**

Specimen Required: Collect: Serum separator tube or green (lithium heparin). Also acceptable: lavender (K₂ EDTA or K₃ EDTA), or pink (K₂ EDTA).

Specimen Preparation: Allow specimen to clot completely at room temperature. Separate serum or plasma from cells ASAP or within 2 hours of collection. Transfer 1 mL serum or plasma to an ARUP Standard Transport Tube. (Min: 0.5 mL)

 $\underline{Storage/Transport\ Temperature:}\ Refrigerated.$

<u>Unacceptable Conditions:</u> Grossly hemolyzed specimens.

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): After separation from cells: Ambient: 4 days; Refrigerated: 8 days; Frozen: 1 year

Reference Interval:

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Cord blood	6.60-17.50 μg/dL
0-3 days	5.37-22.40 μg/dL
4-30 days	5.24-23.20 μg/dL
1-23 months	5.37-16.00 μg/dL
2-6 years	5.26-14.80 μg/dL
7-11 years	5.70-14.10 μg/dL
12-19 years	4.74-14.60 μg/dL
20 years and older	$4.50-11.70 \mu g/dL$