

Quarterly HOTLINE: Effective February 19, 2019

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**0080111 Vitamin B<sub>6</sub> (Pyridoxal 5-Phosphate)****VIT B6****Methodology:** Quantitative High Performance Liquid Chromatography-Tandem Mass Spectrometry**Specimen Required:** Patient Prep: Collect specimen after an overnight fast.Collect: Green (Sodium or Lithium Heparin), Lavender (EDTA), Pink (K<sub>2</sub> EDTA), Plasma Separator Tube (PST), Serum Separator Tube (SST), or Plain Red.Specimen Preparation: Protect from light during collection, storage, and shipment. Separate from cells within 1 hour of collection. Transfer 1 mL plasma or serum to an ARUP Amber Transport Tube. (Min: 0.5 mL)Storage/Transport Temperature: Frozen.Unacceptable Conditions: Whole blood. Specimens not protected from light. Icteric specimens.Stability (collection to initiation of testing): After separation from cells: Ambient: Unacceptable; Refrigerated: 1 week; Frozen: 2 months