

**TEST CHANGE**

**Clorazepate (Assayed as Nordiazepam)**

0090196, CLORAZ

**Specimen Requirements:**

**Patient Preparation:** Timing of specimen collection: ~~Pre-dose~~ **Pre-dose** (trough) draw ~~at~~ **At** steady state concentration.

**Collect:** Gray (~~potassium oxalate/sodium fluoride~~), ~~Potassium Oxalate/Sodium Fluoride~~. Also acceptable: Plain **red, green** (~~sodium heparin~~), ~~lavender~~ **Red, Green (Sodium Heparin)**, ~~Lavender~~ (K2 or K3EDTA) or pink (K2EDTA).

**Specimen Preparation:** Separate serum or plasma from cells ASAP or within 2 hours of collection. Transfer 2 mL serum or plasma to an ARUP ~~standard transport tube~~, **Standard Transport Tube**. (Min: 1 mL)

**Transport Temperature:** Refrigerated.

**Unacceptable Conditions:** Gel separator tubes. Plasma or whole blood collected in light blue (sodium citrate). Hemolyzed specimens.

**Remarks:**

**Stability:** After separation from cells: Ambient: 1 week; Refrigerated: 2 weeks; Frozen: 3 years (Avoid repeated freeze/thaw cycles)

**Methodology:** Quantitative Liquid Chromatography-Tandem Mass Spectrometry

**Performed:** Tue, Fri

**Reported:** 1-~~7~~**5** days

**Note:**

**CPT Codes:** 80346 (Alt code: G0480)

**New York DOH Approval Status:** This test is New York DOH approved.

**Interpretive Data:**

Clorazepate is assayed as nordiazepam. Toxic concentrations may cause central nervous system depression.

**Reference Interval:**

Effective November 16, 2015

Dose-Related Range:	100-1500 ng/mL based on common dosage amounts	
Toxic:	Greater than 2500 ng/mL	