

HOTLINE: Effective November 16, 2020

2001491 Parathyroid Hormone, Fine Needle Aspiration (FNA)

PTH FNA

Specimen Required: Collect: Fine needle aspiration in saline. Also acceptable: Specimens collected in green (sodium or lithium heparin) or lavender (EDTA).

Specimen Preparation: Specimen must be nonviscous, **nonhemolyzed**, and free of particulate matter. Centrifuge to remove cellular material **and visible hemolysis**. Transfer 0.5 mL saline needle rinse to an ARUP Standard Transport Tube. (Min: 0.5 mL)

Storage/Transport Temperature: Frozen.

Remarks: Indicate source on test request form.

Unacceptable Conditions: Specimen types other than those listed. Specimens too viscous to be aspirated by the instrument. **Grossly hemolyzed samples. Grossly lipemic samples.**

Stability (collection to initiation of testing): Ambient: 8 hours; Refrigerated: 24 hours; Frozen: 6 months