



Copley Hospital, Inc. Laboratory Services Directory

REFLEX TESTING

Reflex testing is performed as a result of initial test results which are used to further identify significant diagnostic information required for appropriate patient care.

The Office of Inspector General has issued guidelines regarding reflex testing for laboratories. These guidelines state that we must disclose to physicians which tests are subject to reflex and allow the physician to decline reflex testing if it is not medically necessary. It is our laboratory policy to list tests subject to reflex in the Lab Services Directory and allow physicians the opportunity to decline the reflex if they believe it is not medically necessary. Our current list of tests subject to reflex is on the following pages.

Tests that are sent to Reference Laboratories may also have reflex testing associated with them. Those tests are listed in the appropriate Reference Laboratory Directory.

It is the policy of Copley Hospital Laboratory to perform reflex tests automatically when the following conditions are met:

1. You order a test listed in the following chart and
2. The initial test result meets the criteria listed in the chart for prompting a reflex test.

Copley Hospital Laboratory bills for the reflex tests it performs using the CPT code listed in the following chart.

You have the option of declining reflex testing. Indicate this on the Lab Requisition at the time the initial order is placed.