



Pathology and Laboratory Medicine

PHENYTOIN, SERUM -**TOTAL**

Orderable - PHENY

Turnaround Time: 24 hours STAT: 1 hour

Alternate Name(s):

Anticonvulsant Dilantin



Laboratory: Core Lab



Requisition:

GENERAL LABORATORY REQUISITION



Method of Analysis: Kinetic interaction of

Microparticles in Solution

(KIMS)

Specimen:

Adult	Pediatric	
6 mL Red top Vacutainer	0-2 years: 0.5 mL Red top	
tube	Microtainer	
	2-10 years: 4 mL Red top	
	Vacutainer tube	
Green and gold top Vacutainers with separator gels are not		
acceptable.		

Test Schedule: As required

Collection Information:

Collect blood aseptically in a Vacutainer tube.

Reference Ranges:

Adult:	< 3 months:
40-79 μmol/L	24-55 μmol/L
Toxic: ≥120 μmol/L	

Interpretive Comments:

Note: Falsely elevated Phenytoin concentrations have been observed in patients with renal failure due to assay interference with metabolites of Phenytoin.

Comments:

CRITICAL VALUE to be phoned to Nurse or Physician immediately: