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## ***NEW IN-HOUSE BREAST CANCER ANTIGEN CA 27.29 ASSAY***

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Effective on or about April 17th, 2017, Marshfield Labs will offer breast cancer tumor marker **CA 27.29** testing in-house. This test is intended for use as an aid in monitoring patients previously treated for Stage II or Stage III breast cancer. Serial testing for CA 27.29 in patients who are clinically free of disease should be performed in conjunction with other clinical methods used for the early detection of cancer recurrence. This test is also intended for use as an aid in the management of breast cancer patients with metastatic disease by monitoring the progression or regression of disease in response to treatment.

With the implementation of this new test, Marshfield Labs will no longer offer the Mayo Medical Laboratory send-out test option, Breast Cancer Antigen 27-29 (Test code: CA27-29). Marshfield Labs will use the same assay/instrument methodology as the Mayo test; therefore rebaselining should not be required for patients already being monitored by the Mayo assay.

### **TEST INFORMATION**

- **Test Name:** Breast Cancer Antigen (CA 27.29)
- **Test Code:** CA2729
- **Specimen Type:** Serum
- **Performing Lab:** Marshfield Labs
- **Test Availability:** Monday, Wednesday and Friday

### **CONTACTS**

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## ***CHANGES TO HEPATITIS B SURFACE ANTIBODY TESTING***

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Effective January 18th, 2017, Marshfield Labs changed the reporting of Hepatitis B Surface Antibody tests. In addition to a qualitative result (Reactive or Non-reactive), the test now includes a quantitative (mIU/mL) value. Test methodology and reference range values remain the same.

The name of the test changed from “Hepatitis B Surface Antibody” to “Hepatitis B Surface Antibody (Qualitative & Quantitative)”. The lab test code remains: **AB**. With this new reporting system in place, Marshfield Labs will cease to offer the Mayo Medical Laboratory send-out test option, Hepatitis B Surface Antibody, Qualitative/Quantitative, Serum (Test code: HBSQT).

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