

IDTC Clinical Lab

PREGNANCY (BETA hCG QUANTITATIVE) TEST

DESCRIPTION

Yes. Beta hCG Quantitative (pregnancy test) values may reach detectable limits within 7-10 days of conception. hCG is produced by the placenta and reaches a peak between the 7th and 10th week of gestation. hCG is a glycoprotein hormone which is secreted during normal pregnancy and with pathologic conditions such as hydatidiform mole, choriocarcinoma and testicular neoplasm. If the hCG serum result is inconsistent with clinical presentation, then ordering hCG, Total, Qualitative, Urine is recommended.

HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE TO GET MY LAB TEST RESULTS?

Test results generally take between 24 to 72 business hours after your specimen is collected.

AM I REQUIRED TO FAST FOR THIS LAB TEST?

No. You are not required to fast for this test.

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