

Attachment A: Critical Results Reporting

HOSPITAL DEFINED CRITICAL TEST: FROZEN SECTION

DEPARTMENTAL DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL RESULTS:

Cardiology

Stress Testing:

- Unresolved Ischemia
- Malignant arrhythmia

Echo

- Cardiac Tamponade
- Thrombus

Ambulatory ECG Monitor:

- Sustained ventricular tachycardia >30 beats
- Ventricular flutter or Torsades de Pointe
- Pacemaker malfunction, i.e. failure to capture with symptoms
- Heart rate <35 bps during waking hours
- Sinus pause >6 seconds
- ICD discharge 2 or more shocks
- Syncope with associated arrhythmia

EKG: For UNMONITORED patients only:

- Acute myocardial infarction
- 3rd degree AV block
- sustained ventricular tachycardia

Diagnostic Imaging & Therapeutics

Initial Findings of:

- Unexpected pneumothorax or pneumoperitoneum
- Intracranial hemorrhage
- Ectopic pregnancy
- Ovarian/Testicular torsion
- Acute pulmonary embolus or deep vein thrombosis
- Foreign body
- Suspected abuse

Critical Results for Clinical Laboratory Tests

Please see the most current laboratory policy that provides a list of critical result ranges via this link:

http://nso-pathlab1/PathLab_PnPManager/Components/PnP/DocTree_ViewFile.aspx?ModuleID=659&ID=6AF541A2-4858-412B-9175-F92622ADB60F