



MEMORANDUM

TO: All Regional Medical Laboratory Clients
FROM: Brenda Ghavami MT(ASCP), Executive Director
DATE: January 17, 2018
SUBJECT: **Tuberculin Skin Test Discontinued**

Effective immediately, Regional Medical Laboratory (RML) will discontinue administering and reading the tuberculin skin test (TST) at all RML locations.

In place of the TST, RML recommends ordering the QuantiFERON[®]-TB Gold, a blood test which has better accuracy, no reaction to the bacille Calmette-Guerin (BCG) vaccine, and patient is not required to return to the laboratory.

Test Name: QuantiFERON TB Gold
Mnemonic: TB GOLD
Order Code: 5587325

Please feel free to contact Brenda Ghavami MT(ASCP) at 918-744-3131 ext. 16726 or Dr. Gerald C. Miller, PhD, Chief of Immunology & Microbiology, at 918-744-3131 ext. 15543 if you have any questions.