

# **SAINT FRANCIS HEALTH SYSTEM LABORATORY SERVICES MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** Saint Francis Health System Medical Staff

**FROM:** Virginia Burdine, M.D., Ph.D.  
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**SUBJECT:** Heparinase PTT

Heparinase PTT testing (a heparin inactivated PTT) is once again available. This test can still be ordered as a "PTT w/Hep Adsorb" in Ulticare until the next roll in April. Until that time, the coagulation lab will reorder the test as a "PTT w/Heparinase." The PTT reference range and heparin therapeutic range will NOT be altered by this change in heparin inactivation methodology.

Any questions may be directed to Virginia Burdine, M.D., Ph.D. at 494-1420.