

## **Laboratory Technical Bulletin**

A Member of Cayuga Health System

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Title: Emergency Transfusion Protocol Lab Test Order Set

Test: Ionized Calcium

Explanation of change:

The rapid delivery of a balanced combination of blood components during massive transfusions can lead to citrate toxicity. In turn, this can cause hypocalcemia. In order to determine if treatment is necessary, a measurement of free calcium is needed. Therefore, an Ionized Calcium will now be included in the ETPA order set.

Perform Site	CMC	
Method	Ion-selective electrodes	
Test Code	ETPA	
Reference Range	1.16-1.32 mmol/L	
Specimen	Whole blood, Green Lithium Heparin. Sent on ice	
Volume Required	4 ml, The tube must be full	
Stability	30 minutes	

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