BMC

LIS Code

PPRHO

Specimen Type

Blood

Preferred Container

Two Pink (EDTA) top tubes

Volume Required

6 mL

Storage Requirements

DO NOT centrifuge or separate plasma from cells.

Specimens from outreach centers should be kept refrigerated prior to and during shipment.

Transportation Needs

Specimens should be sent to the laboratory promptly.

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Causes for Rejection

Mislabeled or unlabeled specimen

Gross hemolysis

Reflex Testing

If the Fetal Screen results are positive or, when the results are negative and the infant Rh group is weak D positive, a Fetal Hemoglobin Stain will be performed and billed.

Additional Information

Workup should be completed such that Rh Immune Globulin can be given within 72 hours post-partum. Accordingly, specimens for workup should be delivered to the laboratory ASAP to allow sufficient time for completion of testing and issue of Rh Immune Globulin.

An Rh Immune Globulin workup should be performed on all Rh negative mothers who deliver Rh positive babies.

If atypical antibodies are detected, antibody identification tests will be performed in order to determine specificity. Depending on the specificity of any antibodies detected, Rh Immune Globulin may be contra-indicated

If Fetal Screen results are negative, 1 (one) vial of Rh Immune Globulin will be administered.

If Fetal Screen results are positive, a Fetal Hemoglobin Stain will be ordered to quantitate the bleed and determine the amount of Rh Immune Globulin needed.

Available STAT

Yes

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