



TEST UPDATE

PROTHROMBIN TIME CRITICAL VALUE

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Effective June 8, 2015 PathGroup Labs will no longer report critical values for Prothrombin Time (PT) due to international normalized ratio (INR) values minimizing the variation between reagents. This will also improve quality of laboratory monitoring of oral anticoagulant therapy.

PT and INR values are performed to monitor the effectiveness of oral anticoagulant therapy. The INR value represents the standardization of the prothrombin time against varying manufacturer reagents that can yield widely different prothrombin time values.

Critical values will continue to be reported with an INR value.

	Normal Reference Range	Critical Range
Prothrombin Time (PT)	12.4 – 14.7 sec	N/A
INR	0.9 – 1.1	≥ 5

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