**Reporting Title:** C-Reactive Protein (CRP), S  
**Performing Location** Rochester

**Ordering Guidance:**
To assess the risk of cardiovascular disease or events using C-reactive protein, order HSCRP / C-Reactive Protein, High Sensitivity, Serum.

**Necessary Information:**
Indicate patient's age and sex.

**Specimen Requirements:**
**Container/Tube:**
- **Preferred:** Serum gel
- **Acceptable:** Red top

**Specimen Volume:** 0.5 mL

**Collection Instructions:**
1. Serum gel tube should be centrifuged within 2 hours of collection.
2. Red-top tube should be centrifuged and the serum aliquoted within 2 hours of collection.

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**Supplemental Report:**
No

**CPT Code Information:**
86140

**Reference Values:**
< or =8.0 mg/L