

Notification Date: August 26, 2025 Effective Date: September 30, 2025

Temazepam (Restoril), Serum

Test ID: FFTEM

Explanation:

Effective September 30, 2025, test ID FFTEM, referred to Medtox, will be obsolete due to availability of Mayo test TEMZS.

Recommended Alternative Test:

Temazepam and Oxazepam, Serum

Test ID: TEMZS

Useful for:

- Assessing compliance
- Monitoring for appropriate therapeutic level
- Assessing oxazepam toxicity

Methods:

Liquid Chromatography Tandem Mass Spectrometry (LC-MS/MS)

Reference Values:

Therapeutic concentrations

Temazepam: 600-1100 ng/mL at 1 hour

Cutoff concentrations by liquid chromatography tandem mass spectrometry:

Temazepam: 10 ng/mL Oxazepam: 10 ng/mL

Specimen Requirements:

Supplies: Sarstedt Aliquot Tube, 5 mL (T914)

Collection Container/Tube: Red top (Serum gel/SST are not acceptable)

Submission Container/Tube: Plastic vial

Specimen Volume: 1 mL

Specimen Minimum Volume: 0.3 mL

Collection Instructions: Centrifuge and aliquot serum into a plastic vial.

Specimen Stability Information:

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time
Serum Red	Refrigerated (preferred)	28 days
	Ambient	28 days
	Frozen	28 days

CPT Code:

80299

Day(s) Performed: Wednesday Report Available: 3 to 7 days

Questions

Contact MCS Referrals Supervisors Amy Bluhm or Heather Hilgart at 800-533-1710.