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RE: Ultrasensitive PSA

The clinical laboratory has been receiving requests for “Ultrasensitive PSA” to monitor patients post-prostatectomy. The PSA assay performed in-house is the same as the “Ultrasensitive” assay offered by external reference labs and offers the same limit of detection. To minimize confusion, the in-house PSA assay will now be labeled Total PSA (Ultrasensitive) and may be ordered using test codes LAB3224 (screening), LAB116 (monitoring) and LAB171 (total and free). Results from all three order codes will be displayed on the same line in eD-H to facilitate trending of total PSA values.

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