LABS DIRECT Legal Disclaimer and waiver

Labs Direct provides you an opportunity to request certain lab tests without a provider order. The Brown County Hospital laboratory provides lab results, including accompanying reference ranges (expected normal ranges), for your informational purposes only. The lab results do not substitute for provider review, diagnosis or treatment. Further, lab results can be influenced by many factors, including your medical and physical condition, personal lifestyle and medical history.

Based on these considerations, it is important for you to discuss your test results with your provider. **Always** seek the advice of your provider if you have any questions, and before you stop, start or change any treatment plan, including the use of medication.

These tests will not be billed to your insurance, and is usually not reimbursable to you by your insurance. This is a self-pay service.

Your laboratory tests are completed in a CLIA-certified laboratory, utilizing stringent quality-control standards. In no event will Brown County Hospital, its laboratory manager, its medical director or Brown County Hospital staff be liable for any decision made, action taken or action omitted, based on the information provided through the on-demand lab results. Whether your lab results are normal or abnormal, you should consult with your health care provider to determine the significance of your laboratory results.

A normal laboratory result does not exclude the presence of serious disease. Abnormal laboratory results do not necessarily mean that disease is present. Many variables including diet, exercise, medications, supplements and inflammatory conditions can affect laboratory values. It is, therefore, important for you to discuss your test results with your health care provider.

Results will be mailed to you at the address listed on the order form. Your test results will only be sent to you not to your health care provider. It is your responsibility to share the lab results with your provider, and to schedule an appointment to discuss your results with your provider.

Full payment is expected at the time of order. If for any reason your specimen requires a recollection, laboratory staff will notify you of the required recollection. If you are unable to return for recollection, a refund will be issued.

Certain laboratory values are considered "critical values" (or alert values). Critical value results are lab results which are considered life threatening and require urgent medical attention by a health care provider, such as your personal doctor/provider or an emergency room physician. It is your responsibility to immediately report any critical value to your health care provider, or to a nearby emergency room doctor, if you do not have a provider. The laboratory will NOT call your provider with any critical values obtained.

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Thank you, Brown County Hospital Laboratory