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DISCONTINUED TESTING

**CK-MB (test code LAB1230266)
Plasma myoglobin (test code EASTLAB304829)**

Effective Date: 1/31/2020

To standardize cardiac enzyme testing within the system, effective 1/31/2020, testing for CK-MB and plasma myoglobin will no longer be offered at BMC and JMC testing locations (WVUH has previously discontinued testing). The alternative test is cardiac troponin-I (LAB139).

For suspicion of rhabdomyolysis, total creatine kinase (LAB62) remains available in-house, and urine myoglobin (LAB412) will continue as a send-out to WVUH. Plasma myoglobin testing is generally not indicated to exclude rhabdomyolysis.

This evidence-based change more closely aligns the cardiac testing menu in East laboratories with other system laboratories and with our current practice.

*If you have any questions call BMC at 304-264-1212, option # 7 or JMC at 304-728-1759.