

20th June 2022

To whom it may concern,

In relation to our previous letter dated 16th December 2021 regarding referral of our plasma metanephrines service to an external provider. Please note that the report comment will change as follows:

Current comment:

Sample analysed at Freeman Hospital Biochemistry, Newcastle-upon-Tyne

Referral lab no.

Please note: reference ranges remain unchanged for normetanephrine and metanephrine but 3-methoxytyramine range is 0-180 pmol/L.

The ranges and interpretation above are based on a seated reference population. For examples taken in a supine posture (post 30 min rest) supine reference ranges are recommended: normetadrenaline <730 pmol/L, metadrenaline <450 pmol/L, 3-methoxytyramine <180 pmol/L.

New Comment:

Plasma metadrenalines currently analysed at Freeman Hospital Biochemistry, Newcastle-upon-Tyne

Referral lab no.

Please note: reference ranges remain unchanged for normetadrenaline and metadrenaline but 3-methoxytyramine range is 0-180 pmol/L.

The ranges and interpretation above are based on a seated reference population. For examples taken in a supine posture (post 30 min rest) supine reference ranges are recommended: normetadrenaline <730 pmol/L, metadrenaline <450 pmol/L, 3-methoxytyramine <180 pmol/L.



We apologise profusely for the continued delay to your service, and understand the potential impact it may have for your patients.

We will be writing again to you soon to confirm when our internal service will be resumed.

If you have any questions regarding this change, please contact:

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Yours faithfully,

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