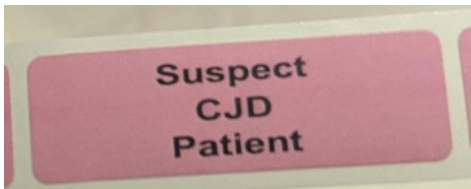


CSF Specimens on Suspect Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease (CJD) Patients

Effective **July 14, 2025**, the instructions in the Lab Test Directory (LTD) will be updated for cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) specimens collected on patients with suspect Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease (CJD), to align with the [Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease Infection Control Policy](#) and [Clinical Pathology Laboratory Specimen Handling and Precautions for Potential CJD Specimens](#).

Instructions for notification to the laboratory, labeling, double bagging, and transport have been included in the LTD [Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease \(CJD\) Immunoassay](#).

Instructions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Notify the laboratory Specimen Processing that a suspect CJD specimen is being sent. Label each CSF specimen with the “Suspect CJD Patient” label. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inpatient Specimens: Contact laboratory Specimen Processing to request “Suspect CJD Patient” labels if needed. <div data-bbox="678 991 1146 1178" data-label="Image">  </div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Double-bag the specimen with biohazard lab specimen bags. Do not transport through the tube system.
Laboratory Processing and Testing	Refer to the Clinical Pathology Laboratory Specimen Handling and Precautions for Potential CJD Specimens procedure for specimen handling.

For questions regarding testing, please contact Corewell Health Laboratory Customer Service at **800-551-0488**.

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