

# Health Care Provider Bulletin

LifeLabs Service Updates 20-Jan-2026

## Changes to Thyrotropin Receptor Antibody (TRAb) Testing

Dear Health Care Providers,

We're pleased to share that effective February 23, 2026, Thyrotropin Receptor Antibody (TRAb) testing will be available in-house in Ontario.

	<b>Former</b>	<b>New</b>
<b>Methodology</b>	Immunoassay; B.R.A.H.M.S. Kryptor	Abbott Alinity I – Chemiluminescent Microparticle immunoassay (CMIA) technology
<b>TAT</b>	18 days	3 days
<b>Reference Ranges</b>	Normal: <1.0 IU/L Borderline: 1.0 - 2.0 IU/L Elevated: >2.0 IU/L	All ages/either sex: < 3.10 IU/L
<b>Specimen Handling</b>	Frozen sample collected from Red Top Tube	Frozen sample collected from SST or Red Top Tube

### Transitional Testing Period

- To support clinical continuity, LifeLabs will offer TRAb Panel testing (LifeLabs in-house method plus the prior methodology) for a period of six (6) months following implementation.
- While numerical values may differ between methods, clinical interpretation (i.e., negative or positive) remains equivalent. To request dual testing during the transition, please indicate "TRAb Panel" or "TRAb Dual Testing" in the "Other" section of the OHIP requisition.
- Following this six (6) months transition period, in-house testing will become the sole testing pathway for TRAb.

For any questions, please contact LifeLabs Customer Care Center 1-877-849-3637.

Thank you,

**LifeLabs**