

Health Care Provider Bulletin

LifeLabs Service Updates: 08/17/2026

DELAY IN LIPOPROTEIN (a) [Lp(a)] TESTING

Dear Health Care Provider,

LifeLabs is experiencing a temporary delay in Lipoprotein (a) [Lp(a)] testing due to a reagent supply issue.

The expected turnaround time for Lp(a) is 24 hours; however, due to the supply disruption, we anticipate a delay of approximately 10 days.

During this period, Lp(a) sample collection will continue at all LifeLabs patient service centres and physician offices. Upon receipt, the laboratory will follow protocols for aliquoting and freezing the samples until testing can resume. Samples are stable for 9 days when refrigerated at 2-8°C and 79 days when stored frozen at -20°C. LifeLabs remains committed to providing high-quality patient care and laboratory services. Our teams are actively managing workflow and implementing mitigation strategies to minimize further impact.

Lp(a) is an independent risk factor for atherosclerosis and cardiovascular disease. Other cardiovascular risk markers, including the lipid panel, will continue to be tested during this time.

If you have any questions, please contact the LifeLabs Customer Care Center at 1-877-849-3637.

Sincerely,
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