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Effective July 16, 2012, the following changes will be made in Marshfield Labs' standard hepatitis serology panels to make them more clinically relevant and to streamline ordering.

Panel Name	Current Panel Components	New Panel Components	Change
Hepatitis Panel Acute	Hepatitis A Antibody, IgM	Will remain unchanged	
	Hepatitis B Core Antibody, IgM		
	Hepatitis B Surface Antigen		
	Hepatitis C Antibody		
Hepatitis Panel General	Hepatitis A Antibodies, IgG and IgM		Will be discontinued due to its lack of HCV testing.
	Hepatitis B Surface Antigen		
	Hepatitis B Core Antibody, Total		



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Hepatitis Panel Comprehensive	Hepatitis A Antibody, Total	Hepatitis A Antibody, Total	Positive Hepatitis A Total Antibody results will now automatically be reflexed to Hepatitis A Antibody IgM in order to differentiate new from previous, resolved infection.
	Hepatitis B Surface Antigen	Hepatitis B Surface Antigen	The following comment will be added: Consider <u>Hepatitis Be Antigen and Antibody</u> if chronic HBV is suspected in order determine the phase of the infection.
	Hepatitis B Surface Antibody	Hepatitis B surface Antibody	
	Hepatitis B Core Antibody, Total	Hepatitis B Core Antibody, Total	
Hepatitis C Antibody	Hepatitis C Antibody	The following comment will be added: Consider <u>HCV RNA, Quantitative</u> to document Hepatitis C viral replication.	

Available: Monday through Friday (days only). Results available same day.

Please feel free to contact Dr. Thomas Novicki or Dr. Thomas Fritsche should you have additional questions concerning these tests (1-6300; external 715-221-6130). Technical questions to be directed to Dr. Annu Khajuria (1-6311; external 715-221-6311) or Bryan Robeson (1-6334; external 715-221-16334). 