

DISCONTINUATION OF *HELICOBACTER PYLORI* SEROLOGY

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Effective August 10th, the Methodist Pathology Center Laboratory is discontinuing *Helicobacter pylori* serology testing (*H. pylori* IgG). This change supports the current diagnostic recommendations from the American Gastroenterological Association and the American College of Gastroenterology. Our reference laboratory has also recently discontinued all serologic testing for *H. pylori* (IgG, IgM, and IgA), thus these are not available as send out tests.

Because no special patient preparation is required, the *H. pylori* fecal antigen is recommended as the primary noninvasive test within the Methodist Health System.

Please contact Client Support Services 402-354-4541 or 1-888-432-8980 for any questions regarding this notification.