

Reporting Title: TSH, Sensitive, S**Performing Location:** Rochester**Ordering Guidance:**

This is a standalone test for sensitive thyrotropin (s-TSH; formerly thyroid-stimulating hormone).

If a cascade approach is preferred, order THSCM / Thyroid Function Cascade, Serum, which utilizes a cascaded testing procedure to efficiently evaluate and monitor functional thyroid status. Serum s-TSH is the first-line test and when the s-TSH result is abnormal, appropriate follow-up tests will automatically be performed.

Specimen Requirements:

Collection Container/Tube:

Preferred: Serum gel

Acceptable: Red top

Submission Container/Tube: Plastic vial

Specimen Volume: 0.6 mL

Collection Instructions:

1. Serum gel tubes should be centrifuged within 2 hours of collection.
2. Red-top tubes should be centrifuged, and the serum aliquoted into a plastic vial within 2 hours of collection.

Specimen Minimum Volume:

0.5 mL

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time	Special Container
Serum	Refrigerated (preferred)	7 days	
	Frozen	30 days	
	Ambient	7 days	

Result Codes:

Result ID	Reporting Name	Type	Unit	LOINC®
STSH	TSH, Sensitive, S	Numeric	mIU/L	11579-0

LOINC and CPT codes are provided by the performing laboratory.

Supplemental Report:

No

CPT Code Information:

84443

Reference Values:

0-5 days: 0.7-15.2 mIU/L

6 days-2 months: 0.7-11.0 mIU/L

3-11 months: 0.7-8.4 mIU/L

1-5 years: 0.7-6.0 mIU/L

6-10 years: 0.6-4.8 mIU/L

11-19 years: 0.5-4.3 mIU/L

> or =20 years: 0.3-4.2 mIU/L

For SI unit Reference Values, see <https://www.mayocliniclabs.com/order-tests/si-unit-conversion.html>