



## HEPATITIS A IMMUNE STATUS

### About This Test

The Hepatitis A Antibody test also called an Immune Status test, is used to detect the presence of antibodies to the hepatitis A virus.

- If antibodies are detected (Positive result) - you are protected (immune) from getting Hepatitis A.
- If antibodies are NOT detected (Negative result) - you are susceptible to the virus and could potentially get the disease.

The word "Hepatitis" means inflammation of the liver. When the liver is inflamed or damaged, its function can be affected. Hepatitis is most often caused by a virus. Hepatitis A is a contagious disease that results from infection with the Hepatitis A virus.

Not everyone has symptoms but if symptoms develop, they usually appear 2 to 6 weeks after exposure. Symptoms include fever, tiredness, appetite loss, nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain, gray stools, dark urine, joint pain, and jaundice. Adults display symptoms more often than children.

In the U.S., Hepatitis A has been on the decline as a result of the Hepatitis A vaccine. Over the last 20 years, there has been a 90% decrease in cases. Individuals traveling to countries where there is a high occurrence of Hepatitis A should know their Hepatitis A immune status before traveling.

### What Should I Do With My Results?

It is always recommended that you meet with a doctor to determine what your laboratory test results mean to you. Your doctor will review all of your test results and, combined with your health history, he or she will be able to provide an accurate picture of your health status.

**If your result was POSITIVE:** A positive result can mean that (a) you currently have Hepatitis A, (b) you have been exposed to the virus in the past, or (c) you have had the vaccine. If you exhibit symptoms, contact your doctor. If you had the vaccine or you were exposed to the virus in the past, these antibodies will most likely protect you from future Hepatitis infections.

**If your result was NEGATIVE:** A negative result means no Hepatitis A antibodies were detected. If exposed to the virus, you would be susceptible to the disease. Since antibody levels may decrease over time, it is possible to get this result even if you have previously had Hepatitis A or have taken the Hepatitis A vaccine. Consult your doctor to determine if a vaccine would be appropriate for you.

**If your result was EQUIVOCAL:** Your result is in between a positive and a negative. It means we could not determine if you are immune to the Hepatitis A virus. Consult your doctor to see if a vaccine would be appropriate for you



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### **How Do I Obtain My Results?**

Results are available through our online patient portal, My Labs Now<sup>SM</sup>. Visit [www.compunetlab.com](http://www.compunetlab.com) to sign in or setup an account. Or text MYLABS to 66349. Follow The signup link in the text message you receive. Please be sure your name exactly matches the name on your lab test order. Contact [help@luminatehealth.com](mailto:help@luminatehealth.com) if you need assistance. CompuNet is unable to provide verbal results to patients.

### **I Do Not Have a Regular Doctor. Where Can I Find One?**

If you do not have a doctor, we recommend the following resources to locate one:

#### **Premier Health Find a Doctor**

(937) 684-4155 or 1-855-PREMIER  
[www.premierhealth.com/findadoc](http://www.premierhealth.com/findadoc)

#### **WebMD Care**

[www.doctor.webmd.com](http://www.doctor.webmd.com)

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Because tests have not been ordered by a physician, third-party entities, including Medicare and Medicaid, will not reimburse for these tests.