

# MUMPS ANTIBODY TEST

#### **About This Test**

The Mumps IgG Antibody test also called an Immune Status test, is used to detect the presence of antibodies to the mumps virus. If antibodies are detected (Positive result) - you are most likely protected (immune) from getting the mumps. If antibodies are NOT detected (Negative result) - you could potentially get the mumps. Mumps is a contagious disease caused by the mumps virus. Before routine vaccinations were introduced in the United States in the late 1960s, mumps was a common disease in children and young adults. Because most people have been vaccinated, mumps has become a rare disease in the U.S. Symptoms start with a fever, headache, muscle aches, tiredness, and loss of appetite, followed by swelling of the salivary glands. Anyone who hasn't had the mumps, or the vaccine can get the mumps. Most people recover fully but there can sometimes be complications. Complications are most common in people who have reached puberty. After having the mumps or after getting the mumps vaccine, your body produces proteins called antibodies. These antibodies will protect you from future mumps infections.

#### What Should I Do With My Results?

**If your result was POSITIVE**: A positive result means that mumps antibodies were detected, and you are most likely protected from future mumps infections.

If your result was NEGATIVE: A negative result means no mumps antibodies were detected. This means there are not enough antibodies to protect you from the mumps. If exposed to someone who has the mumps, you may be at risk of getting the disease. Since antibody levels may decrease over time, it is possible to get this result even if you have previously had the mumps or have taken the mumps vaccine. Consult your doctor to determine if a vaccine would be appropriate.

**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 mumps. 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>™</sup>. Visit 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 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 WebMD Care www.doctor.webmd.com

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