SERUM FOR MULTIPLE TESTS COLLECTION & SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS

CHOLESTEROL HUMAN GROWTH HORMONE (HGH) **FERRITIN** PSA GLUTEN/GLIADIN SENSITIVITY TOTAL IGE **FSH PSA FREE & TOTAL ESTRADIOL PROGESTERONE** LH ESTRIOL TESTOSTERONE DHEA SHGB Insulin (Fasting) DHEA-SO₄ VITAMIN B12

CORTISOL FREE TESTOSTERONE INFECTIOUS DISEASE

SERUM IBF ESTRONE PROLACTIN

TESTOSTERONE/ESTRADIOL RATIO IGF-1 UNCONJUGATED ESTRIOL CANDIDA ANTIBODIES PANEL IGF-1 BP3 MALE/FEMALE PROFILES

HELICOBACTER ANTIBODIES COMPLEX PSA OXIDIZED LDL

TOXOPLASMA GONDII ANTIBODIES

KIT CONTENTS

1 - Requisition Form
1 - Biohazard Bag
1 - Instruction Sheet
2 - Red Top Tubes
1 - Styrofoam Container
1 - Cardboard Shipping Box

1 - Transfer Tube 1 - UPS Next Day Air Pack (US & Canada only)

1 - Disposable Pipette 1 - UPS Next Day Shipping Label (US & Canada only)

1 - Ice Pack

CAREFULLY READ COLLECTION AND SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS THOROUGHLY BEFORE STARTING.

UPON RECEIPT – REMOVE LID FROM STYROFOAM CONTAINER AND PLACE INTO THE FREEZER – DO NOT REMOVE THE ICE PACK.

PLEASE NOTE: When shipping the specimens back to the lab, send Monday through Thursday Only.

DO NOT SHIP ON FRIDAYS AS NEXT DAY DELIVERIES ARE NOT ACCEPTED ON SATURDAY OR SUNDAY.

OBSERVED HOLIDAYS ARE AS FOLLOWS: New YEARS DAY, MEMORIAL DAY, FOURTH OF JULY,

LABOR DAY, THANKSGIVING DAY AND THE DAY AFTER, AND CHRISTMAS DAY.

DO NOT SEND SAMPLE(S) THE DAY PRIOR TO OR THE DAY OF A HOLIDAY.

COLLECTION INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Draw two red top tubes.
- 2. Allow at least 30 minutes for the blood to clot.
- 3. Centrifuge for at least 10 minutes.
- 4. Pipette the separated serum into the transfer tube. Do NOT PICK UP ANY RED BLOOD CELLS.
- 5. Label the transfer tube with patient's name and date collected.
- 6. Freeze the serum immediately. Keep frozen until ready to ship.
- 7. Complete the enclosed requisition form.
- 8. If patients are paying MVL directly the ABN form (opposite side of requisition form) **MUST** be signed, dated, and payment to be included.

SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Put the requisition form into the pocket on the outside of the biohazard bag.
- 2. Place the transfer tube in the biohazard bag and seal.
- 3. Place the biohazard bag next to the frozen ice pack in the styrofoam container. Tape container closed.
- 4. Place the styrofoam container in the cardboard shipping box.
- 5. Place the shipping box in the UPS next day air pack and seal securely.
- 6. Place return shipping label with barcode on the outside UPS next day air bag.
- 7. Save return receipt with the tracking number for your records.
- 8. Send specimens Monday through Thursday only.
- 9. Call UPS toll free at **1.800.742.5877** for a pickup or for the nearest drop location. UPS will only pick up on weekdays.
- 10. When calling for UPS pickup, request "on CALL AIR" only. **DO NOT request a one-time pickup.** Meridian Valley Lab pays for "on CALL AIR" only. UPS expects the patient to pay for a one-time pickup.