ORDERING CRP and ESR
in SPECIFIC CLINICAL SITUATIONS
(for Orthopedic Surgeon/Infectious Disease Specialist/Physician)

REMINDER: Ensure the information below is provided on the requisition for both tests to be ordered without delay or rejection.

- CRP and ESR tandem requests will be accepted and processed when ordered by an orthopedic surgeon or infectious disease specialist investigating replaced joint infections.

- Laboratory accessioning staff will proceed with these orders when the ordering physician stated on the requisition is in the following list, and the clinical information specifies “prosthetic joint infection” or “query serious muscle-skeletal infection”.

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