



Diagnostic  
Pathology  
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Group, Inc.

## 24 HOUR PHONE REPORT SPECIMEN COLLECTION AND HANDLING INSTRUCTIONS

- DPMG offers 24 hour phone report service upon request.
- Mark the requisition “24 hour phone report” to guarantee that one of our pathologists will call the referring physician with at least preliminary results the day after specimen receipt, usually in the morning.
  - You can specify time by which results are needed on the requisition.
- If you mark a requisition “24 hour phone report” on a Friday, please make sure that the **referring** physician will be available to be contacted by a pathologist on Saturday morning.
  - Please provide the **referring** physician’s beeper number on the requisition.
- If Saturday contact is not desired by the referring physician, clearly mark the requisition with “phone report on Monday”.

*Note: If a 24 hour Saturday phone report is requested for a skin biopsy specimen, a preliminary report only will be available on Saturday morning unless a dermatopathologist is on-call. Final diagnosis for skin specimens are always deferred to our experts in the subspecialty.*