POST PROSTATECTOMY CANCER SURVEILLANCE DIRECTIVE

PSA testing is the mainstay of prostate cancer surveillance following radical prostatectomy. Early detection of cancer recurrence offers the highest chance of cure. It is imperative that post prostatectomy patients are monitored with routine PSA testing.

PSA should remain undetectable^{**} after radical prostatectomy.

ANY detectable PSA can be concerning, even if the EMR does not flag it as abnormal. If PSA is detectable, please refer or contact the patient's urologist.

Please ensure post-prostatectomy patients have at minimum **YEARLY PSA TESTING**

** The lower limit of most PSA tests is not zero. As such, PSA are reported as LESS THAN the lower threshold (e.g., <0.02 or <0.1). Any value that does not begin with LESS THAN constitutes a detectable PSA and warrants further investigation in this population.

