



## The Importance of Having Your Blood Work Done

There are many good reasons for you to have your blood work done prior to your appointment(s).

1. Having your blood test results available at the time of your visit allows you and your doctor the opportunity to have a more effective and efficient appointment.
2. Having your blood test results available at your visit gives your physician or advanced practitioner better insight into the function of your kidneys (and other organs) as well as the ability to monitor how existing treatments are working.
3. Results from your blood test can help you and your health care team manage disease(s) you may have, in addition to your kidney function, such as cancer, diabetes, anemia (low blood count) and heart disease.
4. Having your blood test results at your visit will help your health care team determine if your medications are working the way they should and if any changes are needed.

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