Tuberculosis Screening

QuantiFERON®-TB Gold In-Tube Test

Facts:
QuantiFERON – TB Gold In-Tube Test is an alternative to the tuberculin skin test. It is a blood test used to diagnose Mycobacterium Tuberculosis infection. The advantage according to the CDC is “The greater Specificity of the QuantiFERON test and the requirement for only one visit are compelling advantages”. In addition the test is not subject to reader bias.

Why and How:
The Nursing program as of 5.25.16 therefore is requiring the QuantiFERON –TB test as the annual TB test for all faculty and students. The test will be ordered by your primary care provider and all blood work results must be provided to the nursing program on an annual basis.