



# HOW TO ORDER THYROID FUNCTION TESTS



## START WITH A TSH

**TSH is the test to use to screen for Hypothyroidism and Hyperthyroidism.**

### If the TSH is HIGH...

Measure **Free T4**.

### If the TSH is LOW...

Measure **Free T4** and  
**Total T3** (or Free T3).

### NEVER Check:



- Reverse T3

### Only Check in SPECIAL SITUATIONS:



- Total T4
- T3 uptake
- TPO antibodies
- Thyroglobulin
- Tg antibodies
- TSI antibodies
- TRAb antibodies

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