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Vitamin D Testing

Importance and Absorption

The Importance of Vitamin D

Vitamin D is a nervous system communication hormone helping tissue and organs stay healthy.

Receptors are present in the **breast, prostate, and lower colon**. Your whole body needs vitamin D, not just the bones.

Vitamin D **transports Thyroid hormones** from the cell wall into the nucleus of the cell. If Vitamin D is low the thyroid hormone may not be able to stimulate the cell to function properly resulting in low thyroid symptoms.

Vitamin D **boosts your immune system** so you will not be as susceptible to viruses. This is why cold season typically occurs as the seasons change. When vitamin D is low your white blood cells cannot communicate quickly enough to knock out a virus.

- Vitamin D regulates calcium absorption for **bones**.
- Vitamin D is a mood elevator. **Seasonal Affective Disorder** is a result of low Vitamin D.
- Vitamin D **protects brain** function.

Absorption

Vitamin D can have a difficult time being absorbed. Boston Medical College found that people with weak intestines (**digestive disturbances and Leaky Gut Syndrome**) did not absorb Vitamin D easily. We use a specialized vitamin D oil that has a very high absorption rate.

Test Your Vitamin D
Know Your Optimal Level

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Saliva Testing and other lab work done at this office is considered nutritional testing by most, if not all insurance companies. There is typically no reimbursement for this type of testing. Anthem and Medicare specifically will not pay for laboratory testing done at this office.

Dr. McGuckin is a licensed chiropractic physician who uses diet and nutritional support to help your body repair. Dr. McGuckin works with your current doctor(s), and does not intend to be a replacement for your primary care physician. Dr. McGuckin requires all patients to have a primary care physician to cover emergencies and routine care.

Testing and nutritional supplement recommendations are not a substitute for, or in place of, any medications or recommendations made by your medical doctor(s) or other licensed healthcare professionals, and that no medications should be discontinued or initiated without the advice of your medical doctor or other healthcare provider(s) you are seeing.