



Placental Growth Factor Testing at Mater Pathology



Placental growth factor is a marker of adequate placental blood supply throughout pregnancy and can be measured from the first trimester using the sensitive Delfia Xpress assay now available at Mater Pathology.

About the test:

- **Placental growth factor levels in the first trimester are lower in women who subsequently develop early, severe preeclampsia. Combined with uterine artery Doppler ultrasound, this test can help identify women at high risk of this potentially devastating condition before symptoms occur, so that they can be monitored and managed effectively.**
- **Placental growth factor (if requested) is also now included in the Trisomy 21 risk calculation at first trimester screening, although is not Medicare rebatable.**

Placental Growth Factor measurement is not rebatable by Medicare and costs \$40.

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