

ARTHRITIS SCREENING PANEL

WHO SHOULD GET THIS TEST?

This panel is useful for people who are interested in screening for rheumatoid arthritis or autoimmune disease in general.

WHY IS THIS TEST IMPORTANT?

Rheumatoid arthritis is an autoimmune condition that causes inflammation in the body. This results in symptoms such as joint pain, joint stiffness, weakness, fatigue, fever, and more. Rheumatoid arthritis is just one of over 100 known autoimmune diseases. Autoimmune disease can significantly affect a person's quality of life, so early detection is key.

The Arthritis Screening Panel includes:

1. Rheumatoid Factor- This test is often used to help diagnose rheumatoid arthritis. Rheumatoid factor can also be elevated in other autoimmune disorders, certain types of infections, and certain types of malignancies.
2. Antinuclear Antibodies- This test looks for antinuclear antibodies in your blood. It is often used to detect autoimmune disorders.
3. C-Reactive Protein (High Sensitivity)- CRP is a protein that is made in the liver. Increased CRP levels indicate inflammation in the body. This can be caused by chronic illness, infection, and other factors.
4. Complete Blood Count (CBC)- A CBC analyzes different parts of your blood, and can be used to detect anemia, infections, cancer, and more.
5. Comprehensive Metabolic Panel (CMP)- The CMP is used to screen for and monitor various conditions. It provides useful

information about your kidney function, liver function, electrolytes, blood sugar, and more.

OTHER RELEVANT TESTS

If you're interested in this panel, you may also want to consider:

- Annual Check-Up Panel
- Comprehensive Female Panel
- Comprehensive Male Panel
- Heart Health Panel

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