

**VANDERBILT DIETETIC INTERNSHIP PROGRAM**  
***GERIATRIC ROTATION***  
**PERTINENT LAB VALUES**

Please familiarize yourself with the following lab values. You will want to consider these as you review patient charts, complete nutrition assessments and formulate medical record nutrition notes. This is not an “all inclusive” list, but hits some of the key laboratory values Jen takes into consideration when doing a nutrition assessment/ work up on hospitalized geriatric patients.

- Sodium (Na)
- Potassium (K)
- Blood Urea Nitrogen (BUN)
- Creatinine (Creat)
- Blood Glucose (Glu)
- Prealbumin (prealb)
- Albumin (alb)
- C-reactive protein (CRP)
- Liver function tests, if applicable/appropriate
- Vitamin D
- Vitamin B12

Suggestion: jot the “normal range” for geriatric patients’ lab values on this sheet and carry it with you on the floors.