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Lab Values to Know

(*Note: Remember these are most common labs and ranges so if you know these you should be able to answer most questions. You also need to know what highs and lows might mean for client and how would nurse manage these changes; Focus on general ranges)

CBC:

- RBC 3.5-5 million/µL
- WBC 5,000-10,000 cells/mm³
- Hgb 12-16 g/dL
- HCT 35-45%
- Platelets 150,000-350,000 cells/mm³

Electrolytes:

- Serum Potassium 3.5-5.0 mEq/L
- Serum Sodium 135-145 mEq/L
- Serum Chloride 96-105 mEq/L
- Serum Glucose 80-120 mg/dL
- Serum Calcium 8-10.5 mg/dL
- Serum Magnesium 1.5-2.5 mg/dL
- Cholesterol <200
- BUN 5-25
- Serum Creatinine <2.0
- PT 10-15 seconds
- PTT 20-35 seconds...should be between 1.5 and 2.5 times normal when receiving heparin
- INR 2-3 for standard warfarin (Coumadin) therapy and 3-4.5 for high dose warfarin (Coumadin) therapy