



MATERIALS PROVIDED

1 Sterile Swab | 1 LA106 Transport Media Tube | 1 Biohazard Bag | 1 Lab Pak Mailer

PREFERRED SPECIMEN RECTAL

Targets: Chlamydia trachomatis, Neisseria gonorrhoeae, HSV1/2, Syphilis (Treponema pallidum)

1. Label the transport tube with two unique patient identifiers and the date of collection. Confirm identity with the patient.
2. Follow the sample collection protocol below:
 - a. Put on gloves.
 - b. Remove sterile swab from wrapper, taking care not to touch swab tip
 - c. Insert swab approximately 3-5 cm into the rectum.
 - d. Rotate swab against the rectal wall at least 3 times.
 - e. Withdraw the swab carefully. Swabs that are grossly contaminated with feces should be discarded and the collection repeated.
3. Place the swab in the transport tube.
4. Carefully break the swab shaft at the score line and recap the tube (with the swab remaining in the tube).
5. Place the transport tube into the provided biohazard bag.
6. Remove gloves and perform hand hygiene.
7. Place all samples collected for the day into the provided Lab Pak mailer. Seal the mailer and place a shipping label on the outside.
8. Do not hold samples. Ship all samples collected on the same day as collection.

Note: Results from the STI Rectal PCR swab should be interpreted in conjunction with other laboratory and clinical data available to the clinician. The results from this test are not intended for the evaluation of suspected sexual abuse or for other medico-legal indications.