

UTI – STI Collection Guide 2022

SUPPLIES NEEDED FOR COLLECTION

- (1) Requisition (Electronic or Paper)
- (1) Pair gloves and other PPE required
- (1) Urine specimen cup with integrated draw
- (1) Gray top tube
- (1) Specimen biohazard bag

SPECIMEN COLLECTION INSTRUCTIONS

STEP 1

LABEL SPECIMEN TUBE, FILL OUT TESTING ORDER

- Label specimen tube with the patient's full legal name and DOB.
- **Improperly labeled tubes will cause a rejection.**
- Electronic ordering - <https://innovativegx.limsabc.com/>
- **Not providing proper demographics, insurance information, copy of insurance card front and back, ICD-10 codes with provider signature may cause a rejection.**



STEP 2

COLLECTING THE SPECIMEN

- Patient will collect urine in a collection cup and screw the lid on.
- **Urine cup has a sharp needle integrated in the urine cup lid.**

STEP 3

TRANSFER URINE FROM THE CUP TO THE TUBES

- Peel back the protective sticker to expose the transfer port.
- Do not discard the sticker, you will reattach it later.
- Push the gray top tube into the transfer port.
- Hold in position until urine flow stops.
- Remove tube, and gently invert tube 5 times.
- Place the protective sticker back onto the specimen cup, covering the transfer port.
- Unscrew the lid from the urine cup and dispose of the lid in a sharps container.
- Dispose of excess urine according to your facility's policy.
- Place the tightly sealed and properly labeled specimen tube inside the biohazard bag.
- **Do not send the urine cup to the lab, only the urine tube (gray top). Sending the urine cup will cause a rejection because it will leak in the biohazard bag.**

STEP 4

PREPARE SPECIMEN FOR SHIPPING

- Place the tightly sealed and properly labeled specimen tube inside the biohazard bag.
- Place patient demographic and insurance information into document pouch within biohazard bag.