

Women's Health Collection Guide 2022

SUPPLIES NEEDED FOR COLLECTION

- (1) Requisition (Electronic or Paper)
- (1) Pair gloves and other PPE required
- (1) Specimen biohazard bag
- (1) Vaginal ESwab (Green Top) or MTM Universal Swab (Clear Top) collection kit

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

- Open the collection kit and remove the swab. Do not touch the soft tip or lay down the swab.
- **If the Swab is touched, dropped, or laid on surface please discard and open a new one.**
- Carefully insert the swab into the vagina about two inches.
- Gently rotate the swab for 10 to 30 seconds. Make sure the swab touches the vagina walls absorbing moisture.
- Withdraw the swab without touching the skin.
- Place the swab inside the transport tube (ESwab - Green Top or MTM - Clear Top) and carefully break the swab shaft at the score line.
- Replace the cap on the tube and secure tightly.
- **Tubes that leak due to cap not securely on tube, will be rejected.**

STEP 3

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.