Neat Urine Specimen Collection and Transport Procedures

Chlamydia trachomatis/Neisseria gonorrhoeae Qx Amplified DNA Assay
A Nucleic Acid Amplification Test (NAAT)

- Approved for urine samples (male and female).

1. The patient should not have urinated for at least 1 hour prior to specimen collection.

2. Collect the urine specimen in a plastic, sterile, preservative-free, specimen collection cup.

3. The patient should collect the first 20-60 ml of voided urine (the first part of the stream-NOT mid-stream) in a urine collection cup. Urine volume less than 2 ml or greater than 60 ml will be rejected.

4. Verify that the cap is properly aligned and tightly closed.

5. Label the cup with the patient’s name (matching the lab slip exactly) and the collection date/time.

6. Complete an Infectious Agents: Culture/Detection lab slip. Select Chlamydia trachomatis/GC NAAT or Chlamydia trachomatis only/NAAT. Be sure to include the source of the specimen (UR) in the box next to the test requested.

7. Double bag urine specimens. Seal the cup in the zip locked section of a plastic bag with absorbent material. Seal this bag in the zip locked section of a biohazard transport bag and place the form in the outside pocket.

8. Refrigerate the specimen immediately and transport to the laboratory in an insulated container with cold packs (2-8°C.) Specimen may not be stored or transported at room temperature.

9. The specimen must be processed within 7 days of collection. It must reach the laboratory registration area by no later than the 6th day (except Friday) to be tested within the 7 day allowance. Specimens received on a Friday will not be tested until Monday (Tuesday, if Monday is a holiday.)

If you have any questions, please call the Chlamydia lab at 410-767-6154.

Request supplies from the Outfit/Supply Room at 410-767-6120 or 410-767-6121

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