

SPECIMEN COLLECTION GUIDE

MICROBIOLOGY

ESWAB - CULTURES ONLY

Healthcare providers are encouraged to use the Eswab that best fits the specimen source and patient. Eswabs are interchangeable for all cultures in the section listed immediately below.

CANNOT BE USED FOR MOLECULAR OR RAPID KIT TESTING.

FLOCKED SWAB

Cultures: Throat, Nasal, MRSA, Wound, Anaerobic, Group B Strep screens



GROUP A STREP ESWAB DUAL SWAB (FLOCKED + RAYON SWAB)

Rayon swab for in-office, rapid test. If applicable, flocked swab to Alverno for reflex culture.



MINI-TIP

Cultures:

Ear, Eye, Gonorrhea

Genital cervical/urethral



FLEXIBLE MINI-TIP

Cultures:

Nasopharyngeal

Sinus



PARA - PAK

Stool Culture - Vibrio Culture
Yersinia Culture - Shiga Toxin
E.coli 0157 Culture Testing



Ova and Parasite



MINI TIP FLEXIBLE SWAB

Influenza A and B testing by EIA method



URINE TUBES

No additives

Legionella antigen by EIA Testing



Boric Acid Tube

Urine Culture use for transfer to tube



BD UTM

(Universal Transport Media)

Rapid, qualitative detection of Influenza A Virus, Influenza B Virus, and Respiratory Syncytial Virus.



STERILE SCREW CAP CUP

(no additive)

Sputum culture

Sterile body fluids

Tissue, hair, skin or nails

Stool for rotavirus testing by EIA

