

## Chlamydia Gonorrhoea Trichomonas – Swab

### About your Test

- Your health professional has requested to test for Chlamydia trachomatis, Neisseria gonorrhoeae, or Trichomonas vaginalis. This test is done by a vaginal swab for females.
- Make sure you wash your hands before collecting the specimen.
- If you have any questions about the procedure, please ask your care provider.

### Test Procedure

1. Partially peel open swab package. Do not touch the soft tip or lay swab down. If the soft tip is touched, laid down, or dropped, request a new Collection Kit.
2. Hold the swab, placing thumb and forefinger in the middle of the shaft over the black score line.
3. Carefully insert swab into the inside opening of the vagina, about 5cm, and gently rotate swab for 10 to 30 seconds. Make sure swab touches the walls of the vagina so that moisture is absorbed by swab. Withdraw swab without touching skin.
4. While holding swab in hand, unscrew the tube cap. Do not spill tube contents. If the tube contents are spilled, request a new Collection Kit and start again.
5. Immediately place swab into transport tube so that the tip of the swab is visible below the tube label. Carefully break swab shaft at the score line against the side of the tube.
6. Tightly screw cap onto tube. Avoid touching or piercing the silver foil.
7. Label the tube with your full name, date of birth and date of collection.
8. Return labelled tube and form in the provided biohazard bag as soon as possible to the laboratory or to one of our collection centres.

