

NAAT testing for *Chlamydia* and *N. gonorrhoeae*

- **APTIMA Swab Specimen Collection Kit** (pink swab and orange label tube)



- **APTIMA Urine Specimen Collection Kit** (yellow label tube)



- Female: a vulvovaginal swab (self- or clinician-collected) is the preferred specimen.
- Male: a first void urine (first 20mL of stream, preferably at least 1 hour after last voiding urine) is the preferred specimen.
- Do not pierce the foil cap, cut swabs, or place more than one swab in the collection tube.
- All collection kits contain liquid transport medium. **DO NOT** apply this liquid (in the tube) to skin or mucous membranes or take internally.
- If the liquid is spilled or tipped out, use a fresh collection kit.
- Store at 2-30°C prior to transport to the laboratory.

Routine bacterial culture e.g. throat, wound, eye, vaginal for BV / Candida

- **Bacterial swab** (purple top)



- **Alternative** (Orange top)



- If >2 hours before the specimen will reach the laboratory, **refrigerate at 4°C**
- **Vaginal swabs at Room Temperature.**
- Orange top thin wire shaft– alternative for ears or urethra

PCR for Herpes Simplex Virus, Varicella Zoster Virus, Adenovirus

- **Black top rayon swab (dry)**



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PCR for Bordetella pertussis, Measles, Mumps, respiratory viruses

- **UTM collection kit**



- Break the swab provided into universal transport media.
- If >2 hours before the specimen will reach the laboratory, **refrigerate at 4°C**.

HPV – National Cervical Screening Program

- **Pathlab HPV swab collection kit**



- Refer to Pathlab collection guide included in the kit
- Store at 2-30°C prior to transport to the laboratory

Label all specimens with full name plus date of birth and/or NHI
Include relevant clinical details with ALL requests