

COVID-19 Testing: Order & Specimen Collection Guide – 10.15.2020 1500

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COVID specimen collection labels indicate the swab collection kits to use for collection, follow the supply list below due to changes in availability of products to ensure timely results.

COVID-19 Order	Location & Patient Type	Tier Response for Triage	Tube Type	Swab Type	Result
COVID-19 PCR, Rapid (LAB1230619)	Butterworth: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ED patients (being admitted/placed/discharged) 	Inpatient ED	Dry Collection Tube	Lawson #654131 (NP Dry Collection Kit) OR Lawson #640126 (Nares Dry Collection Kit)	Within 2 hours of receipt in lab
	Blodgett & Regional: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ED patients (being admitted/placed/discharged) Inpatients 				
	HDVCH: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ED patients (being admitted/placed/discharged) Inpatients 				
	Urgent pre-procedure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preferred choice if can transport to lab within 1 hour of collection 				

COVID-19 PCR, (LAB1230607)	Butterworth: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inpatients 	Inpatient ED	Saline Collection Tube	Lawson #138868 (Saline Collection Kit)	Within 2 hours of receipt in lab
	Urgent pre-procedure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use this order if unable to transport to the lab within 1 hour of collection 	Pre- procedure Outpatient Other	Saline Collection Tube	Lawson #138868 (Saline Collection Kit)	Within 2 hours of receipt in lab
	SH Team Members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collected at a Regional location 	SH Team Member	Dry Collection Tube	Lawson #654131 (NP Dry Collection Kit) OR Lawson #640126 (Nares Dry Collection Kit)	Within 2 hours of receipt in lab
	SH Team Members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collected at any other location 	SH Team Member	Saline Collection Tube	Lawson #138868 (Saline Collection Kit)	Within 4-6 hours of receipt in lab
	All Other Patient Groups: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1300 Collection Drive Thru Regional Collection Drive Thru Ambulatory Lab Collection Sites Ambulatory Provider Practices 	Pre- procedure Outpatient Other	Saline or Dry Collection Tube	Lawson #654131 (NP Dry Collection Kit) OR Lawson #640126 (Nares Dry Collection Kit) OR Lawson #138868 (Saline Collection Kit) *1300 orders un- kitted	Routine turn- around time dependent on current lab volumes

Other Collection Guidance:

- Saline collection tubes and dry swabs are NOT acceptable for non-COVID-19 tests.
- Universal Transport media (UTM) and ES swabs should be conserved for test that require this type of media including:
 - CMV Culture
 - Herpes Simplex PCR for Lesions & Herpes Simplex Virus Culture
 - Influenza A/B PCR,
 - Mycoplasma/Ureaplasma Culture
 - Respiratory Pathogens by Film Array, RSV Rapid, and Viral Cultures
 - Bacterial cultures (wound, throat, anaerobic, etc.)