

COVID-19 Testing: Order & Specimen Collection Guide – 11.16.2020 1600

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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 Inpatients 				
	HDVCH: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ED patients being admitted/placed Inpatients 				

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
	Blodgett / Regional / HDVCH: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ED patients being discharged 	Pre- procedure Outpatient Other	Dry Collection Tube	Lawson #654131 (NP Dry Collection Kit) OR Lawson #640126 (Nares Dry Collection Kit)	Routine turn- around time dependent on current lab volumes
	Pre-Procedure:	Pre- procedure Outpatient Other	Saline Collection Tube	Lawson #138868 (Saline Collection Kit)	Routine turn- around time dependent on current lab volumes
	SH Team Members and First Responders: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All team members (GR and Regional) 	SH Team Member	Saline Collection Tube	Lawson #138868 (Saline Collection Kit)	Within 12 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	Dry Collection Tube	Lawson #654131 (NP Dry Collection Kit) OR Lawson #640126 (Nares Dry Collection Kit)	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.)