### Los Angeles Medical Center CoVid Specimen Processing Workflow

#### **4867 MAIN LABORATORY PROCESS**



#### Important:

Make sure the lids or caps of all respiratory swabs and sterile cups are securely tightened to prevent leakage.

#### **CANISTER**





All canisters should be received and opened in the <u>Routine Processing Area</u>
Disinfected canister is provided to the staff delivering as a replacement
Main Lab Staff to hand deliver Blood Bank specimens to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Blood Bank

# RECEIVING & UNPACKING Totes from MOBs



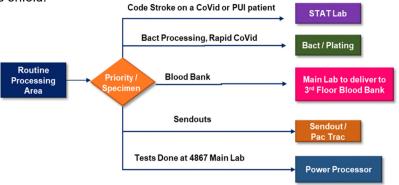
- Empty all contents safely, observe for leakage or damage.
- All specimen container lids must be checked for tight closure before labelling with a collection label.
- Totes designated as **Priority Processing** are unpacked ASAP
- Blood specimens for tests done at LAMC are placed on the Power Processor line

## PRIORITIZATION and DISTRIBUTION



Specimens that require uncapping, aliquot, separation, manual manipulation must be done
with PPE which requires gloves, lab coats, and a physical barrier which may include either a
splash guard or a face shield.





#### SHIPPING RESPIRATORY SWABS to REGIONAL LAB





#### Place in blue specimen rack



<u>Do not mix</u> Covid-19 UTM / Eswab samples with other test tubes on the blue rack

#### Place racked specimens in large sealable bag



Label the outside of the bag using the label shown

#### Transfer List to Regional Lab



separate tote is not required

#### SHIPPING RESPIRATORY SPECIMENS to QUEST

(Sputum, BAL, Tracheal Aspirates)









COVID-19 (SARS-COV-2), RNA PCR

Make sure cap is securely tightened

Courier pickup times, Mon-Fri, 1400 & 1900 Weekends, 1300