BD VACUTAINER® URINE TUBE COLLECTION



Why the Change?

- Previous urine specimens were not refrigerated in a timely manner, causing bacterial growth in the cup – resulting in false positive urine cultures. With the tubes, urine is stable out of the fridge longer.
- The new collection system allows a more sterile specimen collection, reducing cross contamination.



Contents

- 1) Castile Soap Towelette
- 2) Vacutainer Collection Cup
- 3) 1 Gray C&S Preservative Tube
- 4) 1 Yellow Urinalysis Preservative Free Tube



Collection

- 1. Verify the patient's name and DOB and label the specimen cup prior to handing the cup to the patient.
- 2. Provide castile towelette packet and instruct the patient to cleanse all areas around the urinary exit.
- 3. Have the patient collect urine specimen in the supplied cup and return specimen to the Nurse/ Lab Tech

Transferring the Specimen

- 1. Remove the safety sticker located on the lid covering the vacutainer. Do not dispose of this sticker, you will need it later.
- 2. Insert the tube cap first, into the vacutainer channel. Keep fingers out of the channel as it contains a sharp.
- Pressing down firmly, hold the specimen in place until the tube stops filling. *If specimen is collected short, tilt the container.
- 4. Remove the tube and label with the patient sticker.
- 5. Once the proper amount of specimen is transferred, place the safety sticker back over the vacutainer.
- 6. Remove the vacutainer lid and place in the sharps container. Dispose of the remaining cup per department's protocol.

Send Specimens in This Order ...

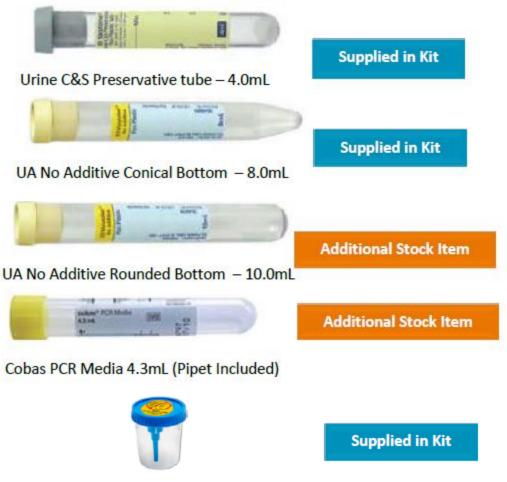
Urine Culture: Grey Top with Preservative

Urinalysis: Yellow Top No Additive

Urine Chemistry Tests: Additional Yellow for each test. Two tubes needed for pain management and drug screens.

Cobas Tests (chlamydia/gonorrhea)

Urine Cytology: Send the entire Cup.



Urine Cup - Protective Sticker re-applied

Collecting From a Urine Catheter

- Clean the Foley port with alcohol swab for 30 seconds.
- Attach the vacutainer adapter to luer-lock port.
- 3. Collect the urine samples.
- 4. Discard vacutainer in the sharps container.





Are all of the urine cups going away?



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- The old urine cups will be available for behavioral health patients.
- If the sample is less than 8mL, do not fill the tubes -- send the urine cup to lab.

Unstable Specimens

- If sending a specimen in the urine cup, it is unstable and needs to be sent with a priority sticker.
- This communicates with lab to refrigerate the specimen.

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