

LABORATORY SPECIMEN REFRIGERATOR

Site: \_\_\_\_\_ Month/Year: \_\_\_\_\_

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If site is closed please record: NPT (No patient testing).

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SPECIMEN	ROOM TEMP SHELF LIFE	REFRIDGERATOR SHELF LIFE
Urine Culture	6 hours	48 hours
Urinalysis	2 hours	24 hours
Throat Culture	48 hours	No refrigeration needed
Wound Culture	48 hours	No refrigeration needed
GenProbe (Gonorrhea/Chlamydia) Swab or Urine	72 hours	72 hours
BVY- <i>not first line as of 3/2024</i>	24 hours	<b>Never</b> refrigerate
NUSWAB (vaginitis)	30 days	30 days
HSV	7 days	7 days
RPP	12 hours	10 days

\*BVY Swabs should never be refrigerated

*As of March 2024 we have moved to NUSWABS for vaginitis*

\*Lab recommends throat and wound cultures remain at room temp