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Aptima[®] Unisex Swab Specimen Collection Kit

Clinician collection procedure guide

For male urethral swab specimens

Patient should not urinate for at least 1 hour prior to specimen collection.



Discard cleaning swab (white swab). It is NOT needed for male specimen collection.

Insert specimen collection swab (blue swab) 2 cm to 4 cm into urethra. **Gently rotate swab clockwise for 2 to 3 seconds in urethra**. Withdraw swab. If the soft tip is touched, laid down, or dropped, discard and get a new Aptima Unisex Swab Specimen Collection Kit.



While holding swab in hand, unscrew tube cap. Do not spill tube contents. If tube contents are spilled, discard and replace with a new Aptima Unisex Swab Specimen Collection Kit.





Immediately place swab into transport tube so score line is at top of tube. Align the score line with top edge of tube and carefully break shaft. Discard top portion of shaft.



Note: Do NOT insert score line below top edge of vial. Do NOT push swab to bottom of vial.



Tightly screw cap onto tube.



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Reference: Aptima Unisex Specimen Collection Kit for Endocervical and Male Urethral Swab Specimens. US Package insert 502258-IFU-PI. Hologic, Inc.; 2021.

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