

Care New England Microbiology Department Routine Specimen Collection Devices



Routine Bacterial Culture (aerobic):

Specimen: swab- throat, superficial wound, etc.
BBL CultureSwab Collection & Transport System



Anaerobic Culture

Specimen: swab- tissues or deep wound
Remel A.C.T. II Collection and Transport System
Note - Please submit body fluids in a sterile container (not inside of a swab)



Respiratory PCR Testing

Specimen: NP swab in Universal Transport Media
COVID, COV/FLUA&B/RSV, or RPP



MRSA or VRE DNA Screen

Specimen: Copan red capped double swab, nasal
Transport to lab immediately. If unable to transport immediately, refrigerate 2-8C until ready to transport (within 72 hours)



Vaginitis Screen (Affirm)

Candida, G. vaginalis, Trichomonas
Specimen: BD Affirm VP III-Ambient Temp transport system
Transport to laboratory within 24-48 hours.



CT/GC Urine PCR

Chlamydia and/or Gonorrhea PCR

Specimen: Sterile screw cap urine container
Transport to laboratory as soon as possible (within 24 hours of collection)

Please refer to the Kent Laboratory Test Catalog for more information:
www.kentri.testcatalog.org