COVID-19 Acceptable Specimens for Rapid (In-House) Testing

**RAPID COVID-19 Test**

2-4 hour lab turnaround time

**Specimen:** Nasopharyngeal Swab

**Primary name:** Rapid Coronavirus 2019 Novel (SARS-CoV-2) PCR

**Synonym name:** Rapid COVID19 PCR

**Cerner order:** SARS-CoV2 PCR

**Deliver to:** Microbiology (West 2).

Do NOT send via the Pneumatic tube system.

Please contact Microbiology for collection supplies.

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COVID-19 Acceptable Specimens for Screening (Corteva) Testing

**Screening (Corteva) COVID-19 Test**

24-48 hour lab turnaround time

**Specimen:** Saliva – preferred

Nasopharyngeal Swab - acceptable

*Note: Indicate specimen type when ordering*

**Primary name:** Standard Coronavirus 2019 Screening

**Synonym name:** Standard COVID-19 Screening

**Cerner order:** COVID-19 Screening

**Deliver to:** Main Lab (1st Floor)

Please contact Main Lab for collection supplies.

Saliva - OK to send via Pneumatic tube system

Nasopharyngeal Swab must be hand delivered

NP kit is marked with orange marking

Scissors are needed to cut the NP swab
Routine COVID Testing Nasopharyngeal Swab Collection

1. COLLECT NP SAMPLE
   - Appropriately collect the nasopharyngeal sample using the provided NP swab
   - Place NP swab (flocked end) into the orange cap collection tube
   - IMPORTANT! To prevent cross contamination, sterilize cutting utensil BEFORE AND AFTER clipping the swab. Use the provided alcohol wipe or equivalent.

2. CLIP THE SWAB
   - Clip the NP swab even with the top of the tube

3. CAP THE TUBE
   - Replace the cap on the orange cap tube
   - CAUTION! The transport solution in the tube is toxic!
   - Discard shaft end of NP swab

4. BAG & LABEL
   - Wipe exterior of tube with provided alcohol wipe
   - Replace the tube into the bag and apply your patient label as shown.

The purpose of this instruction is to assist in sample collection, not provide medical or safety requirements and the individual collecting the sample should follow and adhere to all safety, PPE, discard, etc. requirements of the health care provider.

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Routine COVID Testing Saliva Collection

1. GENERATE SALIVA
   - Patient must NOT eat or drink a minimum of 10 minutes prior to sample collection
   - Instruct patient to generate saliva
   - Tip! Gently chewing laterals of tongue may assist in saliva generation
   - Instruct patient spit into container

2. ASPIRATE SALIVA
   - Depress the bulb of the pipette and slowly aspirate saliva.
   - Ensure you have >0.5cc saliva volume. Inspect on pipette stem or bulb

3. DISPENSE SALIVA
   - Dispense saliva into orange cap tube with transport solution to the fill line (top of barcode).
   - USE CAUTION! The transport solution is toxic!
   - ATTENTION! You must provide appropriate sample volume or the sample will be rejected.
   - Discard pipette and any excess saliva

4. MIX & LABEL
   - Recap orange cap tube and gently invert to mix contents
   - Wipe exterior of tube with alcohol wipe
   - Replace the tube into the bag and place your patient label as shown.
   - Store sample at 4°C post collection

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