Des Moines Laboratory Update

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New Urine Collection Kits

MercyOne Des Moines Laboratory is implementing a change to the urine collection kits we provide in order to utilize sample tubes that are compatible with our instrumentation. There will be two urine collection kits available.

1. **UA and Urine Culture Transport Kit** to include:
   - Urine transfer straw
   - Gray urine culture transport tube containing boric acid. Use for urine culture.
   - Yellow UA transport tube with preservative. Use for urinalysis testing.
   - Transfer urine into the gray tube first, then the yellow tube if using both tubes.
   - Use this kit if UAC (urine, culture if indicated), urine culture and/or urinalysis testing are ordered.

![UA and Urine Culture Transport Kit Image]

2. **Urine Culture Kit** to include:
   - Urine transfer straw
   - Gray urine culture transport tube containing boric acid.
   - Use this kit if a urine culture is ordered.

![Urine Culture Kit Image]

If a urine culture is requested, have patient collect the sample in a sterile specimen cup and use the transfer straw to fill the gray transport tube. Do not fill the gray transport tube from a non-sterile collection cup or hat.

Thank you for choosing MercyOne Des Moines Laboratory.
Cleansing towelettes and sterile specimen cups with blue lid (use for urine chemistry testing and drug screen testing) may be ordered separately. Please consult Atlas test catalog for more information about specimen collection and handling. www.mercyone.org/desmoineslab

Please note: Supply Order Form has been updated to include these new items and is available on our web page listed above.

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