

### THIS TEST COMES WITH:



### COLLECTION DO'S & DON'TS

- ✓ **DO** - Ship the sample as soon as possible after collection. MicroGenDX stability testing shows samples as viable at room temperature for at least 21 days after collection.
- ✗ **DO NOT** - administer marcaine, lidocaine, or any local anesthetics prior to taking sample.

### ASPIRATION

#### STEP 1

When aspirating the joint, collect as much fluid as possible — larger amounts of fluid help ensure that microbial DNA will be found. *\*At least 2ml of synovial fluid is necessary to run all tests.*



#### STEP 2

After arthrocentesis, transfer synovial fluid into as many 8ML Sample Vials as needed.

### OPTIONAL STEP: WOUND/SINUS TRACT SAMPLE

#### STEP 1

If desired, collect moist swab samples using the sterile Dry Swab — avoid dry or hardened tissue.



### OPTIONAL STEP: WOUND TISSUE SAMPLE

#### STEP 1

If desired, obtain a tissue sample using a curette or other debridement tool.

#### STEP 2

Place tissue or entire applicator tip into the housing/tube of the provided Dry Swab.



SEE PATIENT INFORMATION & SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE



Correct packaging is vital to ensuring your sample is processed in a timely manner. Please follow the steps below.

## PATIENT INFORMATION

### 1. MARK SAMPLE

Use a permanent marker to write patient name, date of birth and sample collection date on all 8mL Sample Vials and Dry Swabs used.



### 2. SIGN LAB REQ

Please have the patient sign the lab requisition form accepting financial responsibility. Be sure the physician has also signed the lab requisition form confirming consent.



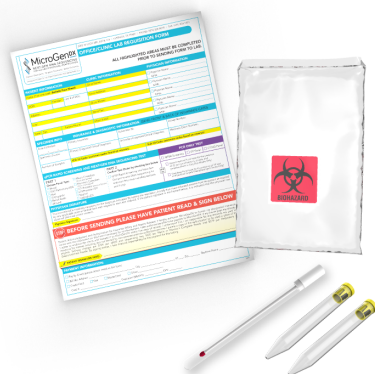
### 3. INSURANCE INFORMATION

Submit patient face sheet and demographics with insurance information or both sides of a patient's insurance card. If this is a prepaid test skip this step.



## PACKING SAMPLES FOR SHIPMENT

1. Place all 8mL Sample Vials and Dry Swabs used into the center/sealable pocket of the Biohazard Lab Bag.
2. Place folded Lab Requisition Form into the short pocket of the Lab Bag.
3. **IMPORTANT:** Place only one Sample and one Lab Requisition in each Lab Bag.
4. Peel strip off Lab Bag to expose adhesive backing and follow instructions printed on Bag to create a continuous, airtight seal.
5. Place the sealed Lab Bag into the MicroGenDX Shipping Box (shipping label already attached to bottom of box).
6. Close the MicroGenDX Shipping Box and seal with the clear sealing sticker or a piece of tape.
7. You can add multiple completed lab bags into the MicroGenDX Shipping Box.



## 3 CONVENIENT FEDEX SHIPPING METHODS

1. Drop into FedEx Dropbox including Kinkos FedEx locations
2. For Physician Offices Only: Call for pick up 1-800-GoFedEx (1-800-463-3339). Say "agent" twice to speak to agent. Let them know it's prepaid pick up.
3. For Physician Offices Only: Use our online "schedule a pick up" page at [MicroGenDX.com](http://MicroGenDX.com). *Make sure to retain your tracking number.*

