

Correct collection process is vital to receiving the most accurate NGS diagnostic results. Please follow the steps below.



RECTAL SWAB SAMPLE COLLECTION METHOD

Do's & Don'ts


✓ **DO** - Take from the ampule of rectum / distal part of bowel.


✗ **DO NOT** - Use gel or other greasy ointment before insertion of the rectal stick.

✗ **DO NOT** - Touch skin around anus in order to prevent any contamination from skin.


✗ **DO NOT** - Take antibiotics. Patient must be off all antibiotics for 2 days prior to collection. This is optimal. However, if not possible, the test can still be run.


Particular care should be taken in patients with existing external hemorrhoid nodules that are inflamed to avoid any laceration with subsequent bleeding.

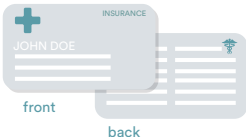
1  Insertion of the stick has to be gentle with some swirling movement until stick is inside of rectal ampule to at least a depth of 5-6 cm.

2  The removal of the stick should be performed carefully to avoid any contact of skin around anus.

Transfer the stick with swab head directly inside of tube that is going to be shipped.

3  The change of stick tip color towards brownish, or the presence of small pieces of feces on tip of stick suggests a quality sample.

4  a. Use a permanent marker to write name and collection date on small tube/vial.
b. Please have the patient sign the lab requisition form accepting financial responsibility.

5  Submit patient face sheet and demographics with insurance information and both sides of a patient's insurance card.

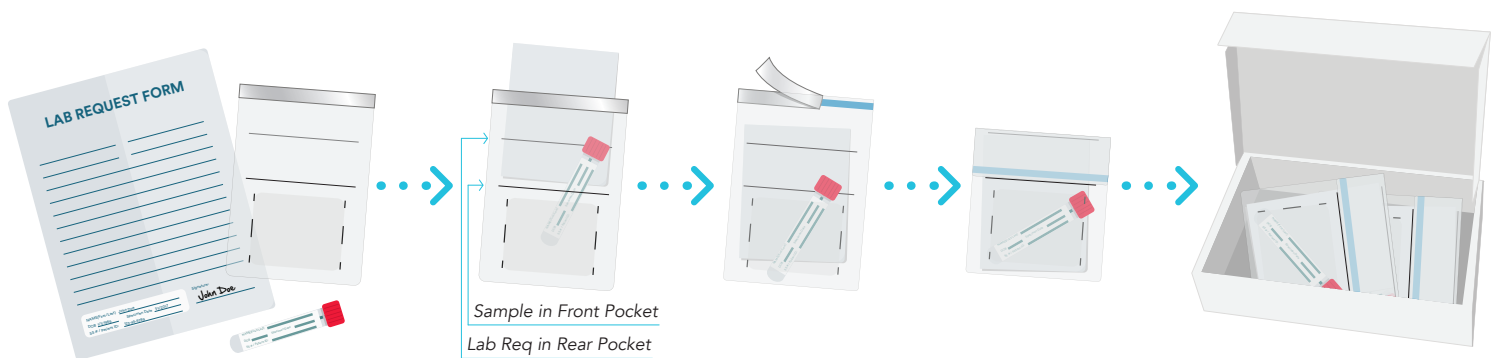
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PACKING SAMPLES FOR SHIPMENT

1. Place the Small Sample Collection Bag and/or Vials into the front pocket (between the black hash-lines) of Biohazard Lab Bag.
2. Place folded Lab Requisition Form into the back pocket of the Lab Bag.
3. **IMPORTANT:** Place only one Sample and one Lab Requisition in each Lab Bag.
4. Peel white 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 Prepaid FedEx Shipping Box.
6. **You can add multiple completed lab bags into 1 FedEx Shipping carton.**

NOTE: More than one Lab Bag can be placed in the Shipping Box



***NOTE: Please place multiple Lab Bags in Shipping Envelope or Shipping Box.**

3 CONVENIENT FEDEX SHIPPING METHODS

1. Drop into FedEx Dropbox including Kinkos FedEx locations
2. 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. Use our online "schedule a pick up" page at MicroGenDX.com.

When possible, retain your tracking number.

