

# SPECIMEN PREPARATION & STORAGE

Test /Specimen * indicates test sent out	Collection- For send outs, please Contact lab for requirements	Storage
Biopsy/Tissue Examination	10% Neutral Buffered Formalin	Room Temperature
Chlamydia And/or Gonorrhea with PAP	ThinPrep® or SurePath Vial	Room Temperature
Chromosome Analysis /POC *	Contact lab for collection medium	Per Lab Instruction
Cytology/Body Fluids	Fresh, No Fixative. For Body Fluids 50cc or less add 30cc of Cytolyt	Refrigeration
Cytology/ Fine Needle Aspiration (FNA) Fluids	Cytolyt Vials/Glass Slides in 95% Alcohol	Room Temperature
Cytology/ Non GYN Smears	Glass Slides in 95% Alcohol	Room Temperature
RNA HPVwith Pap (Cervical) (PAP & HPV – ACOG Recommen- dation for patients 30 years or older.)	ThinPrep® or SurePath vial	Room Temperature
Cultures *	Sterile Container or culturette swab	Refrigeration for fluids, room temperature for swabs
Fine Needle Aspiration (FNA)/ Tissue	10 % Neutral Buffered Formalin	Room Temperature
HPV/GYN (cervical specimen)	ThinPrep Vial,SurePath Vial	Room Temperature
HPV/Tissue *	10 % Neutral Buffered Formalin	Room Temperature
CT and/or GC, and/or Trichomo- nas	ThinPrep or SurePath vial, APTI- MA vaginal or endocervical swab, or urine	Room Temperature
Immunohistochemistry/ Tissue *	10% Neutral Buffered Formalin	Room Temperature
Pap, ThinPrep® or SurePath	ThinPrep® Vial or SurePath vial	Room Temperature
Stone Analysis/ Calculus *	Submit Dry, No fixative	Room Temperature
UroVysion/Fresh Voided Urine *	Plastic Urine container	Refrigeration
3 Organism Vaginitis Screen- Candida, Trichomonas, Gard- nerella	BD Affirm Ambient Transport Sys- tem	Stable 72 hours at room temp, call lab for pick up