

# Aptima® Unisex Swab Specimen Collection Kit

## Male collection procedure guide

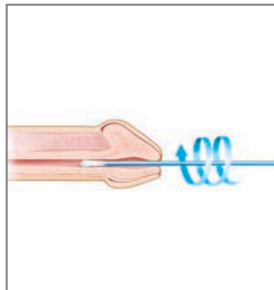


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### Collection for male urethral swab specimens

Patient should not have urinated for at least 1 hour prior to specimen collection.

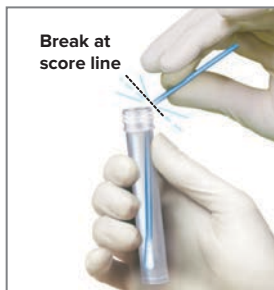


**Discard cleaning swab (white shaft with red print on label).** The cleaning swab is NOT needed for male specimen collection.

Insert specimen collection swab (blue shaft swab with green printing) 2 cm to 4 cm into urethra. Gently rotate swab clockwise for 2 to 3 seconds in urethra to help ensure adequate sampling. Withdraw swab carefully.

#### Swab specimen collection guide for:

- *Chlamydia trachomatis* (CT)
- *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* (NG)



Break at score line

While holding swab in hand, unscrew tube cap. Do not spill tube contents. **If tube contents are spilled, discard and replace with a new Aptima unisex swab transport tube.**

Carefully break the swab shaft at the score line against the side of the tube. Discard top portion of swab shaft.



Re-cap swab specimen transport tube tightly.

### Specimen Transport and Storage

- After collection, transport and store swab in the unisex specimen transport tube between 2°C to 30°C until tested.
- Specimens must be assayed with the Aptima assay for CT/NG and/or TV within 60 days of collection.
- If longer storage is needed, freeze between -20°C to -70°C for up to 12 months after collection in the Aptima unisex specimen transport tube.

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