

Process: Pathology FISH Bladder Cancer Request Collection

Staff Involved: Laboratory

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Purpose: To ensure specimen handling instructions occur within 30 minutes for integrity of testing.

Step	Process Explained:	Example/Why:
1	Obtain collection kit & cool pack from freezer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collection Kit Cool Pack 	NMSA Item # 91598
2	Perform positive 2 patient identification and compare to order. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Full Name Date of Birth 	
3	Label collection cup with 2 patient identifiers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Full Name Date of Birth 	
4	Instruct patient to void a minimum of 60 mL of leave specimen in collection window.	
5	Label specimen container with preservative with 2 patient identifiers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Full Name Date of Birth Collection Date/Time <p>Pour 60 mLs urine into the specimen collection container to equal 90 mLs total. No not overfill container as the ratio of preservative to urine must be maintained. Specimen must be processed within 30 minutes of collection.</p>	
6	Maintain specimen at refrigerated temperature. When ready for courier transport, place specimen in foam transport with cool pack from freezer. Be sure to not let the cool pack touch the specimen. Place in transport bag with registration and order requisition in pocket and remove air. Place in transport box for courier pick up.	

Special Notes:

Most testing will be from Bay Area Urology and will be a future active order in Cerner. Testing should be ordered as a Pathology FISH Bladder Cancer Request. If kit is not available or collection occurs Thursday – Sunday. Testing must be ordered as Pathology Urovysion For Detection of Bladder Cancer Urine. Follow FUROC collection instructions from Mayo; minimum 30 mL random urine refrigerated. Processing will occur in sendout department per Mayo Kit instructions. [FUROC - Overview: UroVysion for Detection of Bladder Cancer, Urine](#)