

## Urine Collection for GC/Chlamydia

## **COLLECTION & HANDLING FOR GC / CHLAMYDIA**

- 1. Patient should not urinate at least 1 hour prior to collection.
- 2. Do not cleanse the genital area.
- 3. Patient should collect the first 10 to 50 mL of the initial urine stream into a urine collection cup.
- 4. Immediately transfer the urine into the Cobas® PCR Media tube using the disposable pipette provided in the collection kit.
- 5. The correct volume of urine has been added when the fluid level is between the two black lines on the tube label.
- 6. Tightly close the Cobas® PCR Media tube.
- 7. Invert the tube 5 times to mix.
- 8. Label the specimen with two unique identifiers.
- 9. Transport and store the Cobas® PCR Media tube containing the stabilized urine specimen at 2°C to 30°C.
- 10. Stabilized urine specimens are stable at 2°C to 30°C for up to 12 months.
- 11. NOTE: Urine specimens should be transferred into the Cobas® PCR Media tube immediately to stabilize. If this is not possible, the specimen may be stored at 2°C to 30°C for up to 24 hours. Please send the urine to the laboratory within 12 hours to ensure specimen is acceptable for testing.

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