

Copley Hospital, Inc. Laboratory Services Directory

STERILE MID-STREAM URINE COLLECTION INSTRUCTIONS

Technique for Women

- 1. Wash hands with soap and water.
- 2. Open and unfold the 2 towelette packages and open the screw cap container.
- 3. Separate the labia with one hand and hold them apart for the entire urine collection.
- 4. Cleanse the urinary opening with one of the towelettes. Make 3 passes using a front to back motion.
- 5. Repeat the process with the second towelette.
- 6. Void into the toilet for a couple seconds and then stop.
- 7. Restart the urine stream collection in the sterile container.
- 8. Without stopping the flow of urine, finish in the toilet.
- 9. Avoid touching the inside of the container. Screw the lid onto the container.

Techniques for Males

- 1. Wash hands thoroughly with soap and water.
- 2. Open and unfold the 2 towelette packages and open the screw cap container.
- 3. Cleanse the penis with one of the towelettes.
- 4. Repeat the process with the second towelette.
- 5. Void into the toilet for a couple seconds and then stop.
- 6. Restart the urine stream collection in the sterile container.
- 7. Without stopping the flow of urine, finish in the toilet.

8.	Avoid touching the inside of the container. Screw the lid onto the container.