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PHARMACOGENETICS SPECIMEN COLLECTION

Molecular Diagnostics

Cheek Specimen Collection Using Sterile Flocked Swabs

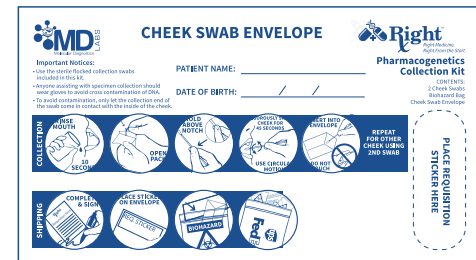


IMPORTANT NOTICES:

- Use the Sterile Flocked Collection swabs provided by MD Labs.
- Anyone assisting with specimen collection should wear gloves to avoid cross contamination of DNA.
- Do not touch the collection end of the swab, either before or after collection.
- If possible, the patient should swab themselves with specific direction from the collector.

CHEEK SWAB INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Have patient rinse mouth with water for 10 seconds; it is ok to swallow the water after rinsing mouth.
2. Open the swab package from the slightly separated side and remove one swab.
3. Hold the swab above the notch in the swab and swab one side of the cheek using a firm circular motion.
 Make sure the swab is rotated to ensure specimen collection on all sides of the swab.
4. Swab vigorously for 45 seconds. The swab should bend, and the patient's cheek may feel raw during this process.
5. Place the swab inside the provided CHEEK SWAB ENVELOPE making sure you do not touch the collection end of the swab.
6. Remove the other swab from the swab package and repeat this process for the other cheek.
7. Once both cheeks are swabbed and the swabs are inside the envelope, seal the envelope.



SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Complete and sign the Rxright Pharmacogenetics Requisition Form.
2. Place the Requisition Sticker on the CHEEK SWAB ENVELOPE.
3. Write the patient's name and date of birth on the CHEEK SWAB ENVELOPE.
4. Place the envelope inside the Biohazard bag.
5. Place the Rxright Pharmacogenetics Requisition Form inside the outer pouch of the Biohazard bag.
6. **Place a copy of the patient's chart notes inside the outer pouch of the Biohazard bag.**
7. Place the Biohazard bag inside a UPS or FedEx Lab Pack for overnight shipment to MD Labs.
8. Place as many Biohazard bags inside the Lab Pack as will fit.
9. Ship specimens the same day they are collected.



COMPLETING THE PHARMACOGENETIC TEST REQUISITION FORM

- All yellow highlighted fields must be completed.
- The ICD-10 Code(s) must be consistent with what is documented in the patient's medical record.
- The medications checked must be those being considered for use or already being used for which the provider would like pharmacogenetics guidance to treat the patient.
- The medication must be appropriate to treat the patient's diagnosed condition, as documented in the patient's medical record.
- Check either COMPREHENSIVE REPORT or PAIN MANAGEMENT REPORT.
- Have the ordering provider sign and date the requisition form.