

Memo

To: Allina Medical Laboratories Reference Laboratory Clients
From: Bonny Paetznick
Director, Reference Laboratory Services
Date: 2/8/06
Re: GC and Chlamydia Testing

Effective immediately, the only specimens that Allina Medical Laboratories will accept for GC and Chlamydia Probe testing are:

Female:

- Blue shafted endocervical swab in a Gen-Probe Aptima transport media
- Urine in Gen-Probe Aptima urine transport tube filled to the appropriate quantity

Male:

- Blue shafted urethral swab in a Gen-Probe Aptima transport media
- Urine in Gen-Probe Aptima urine transport tube filled to the appropriate quantity

The specimens listed above are the only acceptable specimens for GC and Chlamydia Probe testing.

To ensure quality test results for your patients, AML WILL REJECT: Urines in sterile containers or containers other than adequately filled Gen-Probe Aptima containers, swabs received in M4 media, and transport tubes with no swabs, two swabs or white swabs These specimens will not be sent to any other referral laboratory and will not be returned to your laboratory.

Thank you for your help in this matter.