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## **Urine Sample Collection Instructions**

# Clean Catch Midstream Specimen Collection:

#### Females:

- I. Wash your hands.
- 2. Open urine container, avoid touching the inside.
- 3. Spread labia apart with one hand.
- 4. Using towelettes provided, clean the urethral opening, wiping from front to back
- 5. Begin urinating into the toilet, then place the sterile cup under the flow to collect the middle portion of the stream.
- 6. Finish urinating into the toilet.
- 7. Close the lid tightly on the container
- 8. Refrigerate specimen immediately.

#### Males:

- I. Wash your hands.
- 2. Open urine container, avoid touching the inside.
- 3. Using towelettes provided, wipe the head of the penis.
- 4. Begin urinating into the toilet, then place the sterile cup under the flow to collect the middle portion of the stream.
- 5. Finish urinating into the toilet.
- 6. Close the lid tightly on the container
- 7. Refrigerate specimen immediately.

## After Collection:

- I. Wash hands thoroughly
- 2. Check lids to be sure they are tightly closed
- 3. Label all containers with your name, date of birth and date of collection
- 4. Refrigerate immediately.
- 5. Return to any Crystal Run Healthcare location asap; within 12 hours.

## 24 Hour Urine Collection

- 1. Unless otherwise indicated by your provider, maintain your usual amount of liquid intake. Avoid alcoholic beverages.
- 2. Do not collect the first morning urine into the container. Flush it in the toilet.
- 3. All the urine after step 2 will be collected in the container for 24 hours.
- 4. If a preservative is added, collect the urine into the cup provided and then pour urine into the container. (Note: the preservative is only good for 30 days, after that you will need to pick up a new container with additive)
- 5. Mark the time of the first collection on the container.
- 6. The last sample collected should be the following morning at the same time the first urine was flushed the previous day.
- 7. All containers without additives must be refrigerated or kept in a cool environment.
- 8. Return the specimen to any Crystal Run location on the day of completion.



### Litholink

Carefully follow the instructions provided in the kit.

24 Hour Litholink urine specimens can be returned to any Crystal Run facility Monday – Thursday.

IMPORTANT: YOU MUST BRING THE COMPLETED PAPERWORK PROVIDED WITH THE SPECIMEN, OR WE CAN NOT ACCEPT IT.

# Catecholamine 24 Hour Urine Test Restrictions

Avoid these foods and medications for 24 hours prior to starting collection, and during collection:

### Foods:

Caffeine - coffee, tea, chocolate, cocoa Alcohol Fruits – bananas, citrus fruits, vanilla

<u>Medications</u> (\*\*Consult with your provider before stopping any medication\*\*):

Aminophylline \* Aspirin \* Vitamin B \* Amphetamine \* Buspirone \* Cocaine \* Decongestants \* Levodopa \* Methyldopa \* Phenothiazine's \* Reserpine \* MAO Inhibitors \* Clonidine \* Disulfaram \* Tricylic \* Antidepressants \* Guanethidine; Salicylates.

### 5-HIAA 24 hour Urine Test

Avoid the following for 24 hours prior to starting collection, and during collection:

Caffeine - coffee, tea, chocolate, cocoa

Fruits - bananas, citrus fruits, Kiwi Fruit, Pineapples, Plantains, Plums,

Vanilla, Nuts, Tomatoes

Alcohol, Nicotine