

# Aptima® urine collection kit

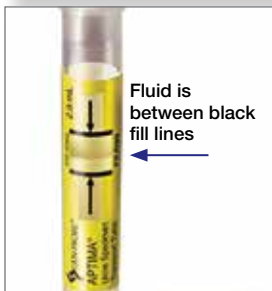
## Collection procedure guide

### Collection for male and female urine specimens

Patient should not have urinated for at least 1 hour prior to specimen collection.



Direct patient to provide **first-catch** urine (approximately 20 to 30 mL of initial urine stream) into urine collection cup free of any preservatives. Collection of larger volumes of urine may result in specimen dilution that may reduce test sensitivity. Female patients should not cleanse labial area prior to providing specimen.



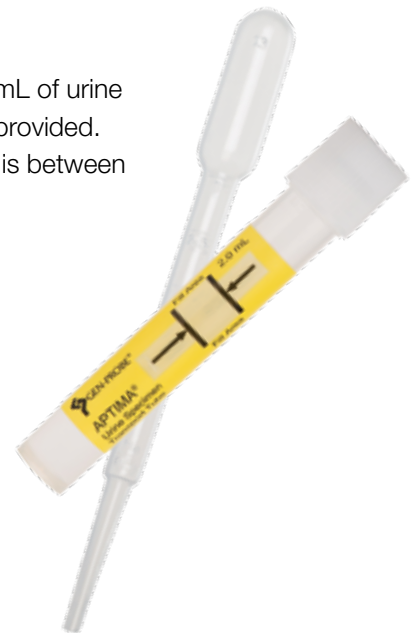
Remove cap from urine specimen transport tube and transfer 2 mL of urine into urine specimen transport tube using the disposable pipette provided. The correct volume of urine has been added when the fluid level is between the black fill lines on urine specimen transport tube label.



Re-cap urine specimen transport tube tightly. This is now known as the “processed urine specimen.”

#### Urine specimen collection guide for:

- *Chlamydia trachomatis* (CT)
- *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* (GC)
- *Trichomonas vaginalis* (TV) for female only



### Specimen transport and storage

- After collection, transport and store processed urine specimens in the Aptima urine specimen transport tube between 2°C to 30°C until tested.
- Processed urine specimens should be assayed with the Aptima assay for CT, GC and/or TV within 30 days of collection.
- If longer storage is needed, freeze between -20°C to -70°C for up to 12 months after collection in the Aptima assay for CT and/or GC. For the Aptima assay for TV, freeze at < -20°C for up to 12 months.
- Urine samples still in primary collection container must be transported to the lab between 2°C to 30°C.
- Transfer urine sample into Aptima urine specimen transport tube within 24 hours of collection.
- Store between 2°C to 30°C and test within 30 days of collection.

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