


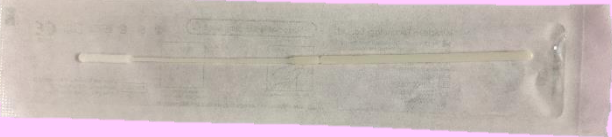




## Outpatient Swab Guide

Test	Swabs/Media	Collection Type	Performed
Rapid Group A Strep	Culture Swab (plastic)*	Throat Swab	Cornerstone
Influenza A&B	Flocked Swab in Sterile Saline*	Nasopharyngeal Swab	Cornerstone
	Sterile Saline	Nasopharyngeal Wash	
RSV	Flocked Swab in Sterile Saline	Nasopharyngeal Swab	Hospital
	Sterile Saline	Nasopharyngeal Wash	
MRSA PCR	Culture Swab (plastic)	Nares	Hospital
Wound Culture	Culture Swab (plastic)	Superficial wounds (site varies)	Hospital
Chlamydia/GC	BD UVE Collection Kit	Genitals (swab or urine)	Hospital
Group B Strep Screen	Culture Swab (plastic) in Lim Broth	Vaginal/Perirectal	Hospital
Pertussis PCR	Culture Swab (aluminum)	Nasopharyngeal Swab	Hospital (Send-Out)
	Sterile Saline	Nasopharyngeal Wash	
<b>Culture Swab</b> – Rayon tip with <u>plastic shaft</u> and liquid Stuart medium.			
<b>Culture Swab</b> – Rayon tip with <u>aluminum shaft</u> and liquid Stuart medium.			
<b>BD UVE Collection kit</b>			
<b>Nylon Flocked Swab</b>			
<b>Sterile Saline</b>			
<b>Lim Broth</b>			

\*Swabs provided with kits that are acceptable for use with these specimen collections.

**NOTE:** There are various companies that manufacture the same types of culture swabs. The swabs/transport container may look different than pictured above. When using another brand, always verify it is the same materials and media before collecting the specimen. More collection information is available on the hospital's test catalog website, [yvm.testcatalog.org](http://yvm.testcatalog.org). Call the microbiology department at ext. 5352 if you have questions about specimen collection.