

## 2026 Microbiology Swab Guide

### Test(s)

### Acceptable Swab type(s)

- Strep Screen, Throat
- Culture, Throat
- Culture, Wound (Aerobic)
- Culture, Fungus



- Influenza A/B, RSV, and SARS-CoV-2, PCR
- Comprehensive Respiratory Pathogen Panel, PCR
- Cytomegalovirus (CMV) Molecular Detection, PCR, Varies
- Herpes Simplex Virus (HSV), Molecular Detection, PCR, Varies



- Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus (MRSA) Screen by PCR



- Culture, Anaerobic
- Culture, Wound (Aerobic)



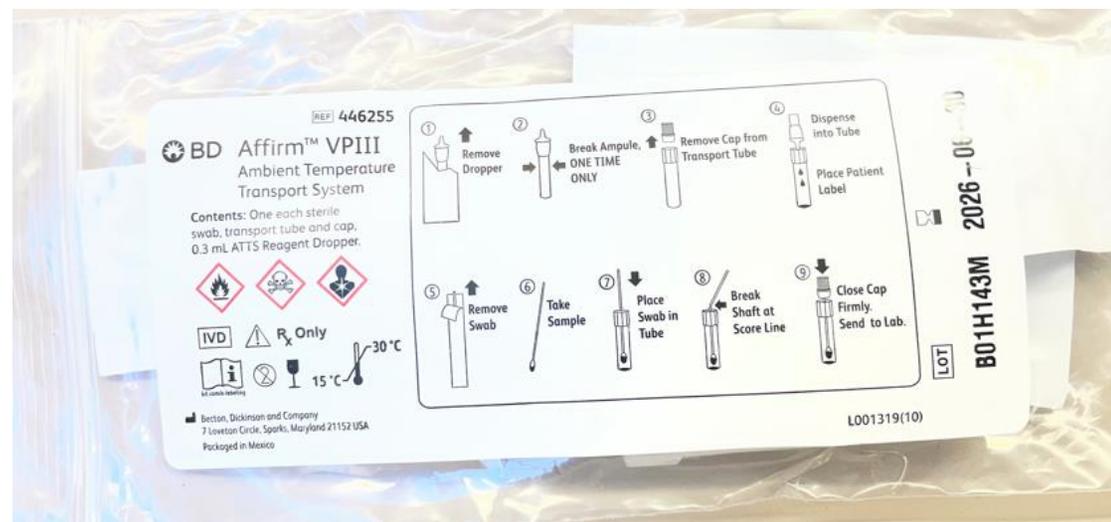
- Bordetella pertussis and Bordetella parapertussis, Molecular Detection, PCR, Varies



- Group B Strep Screen, PCR



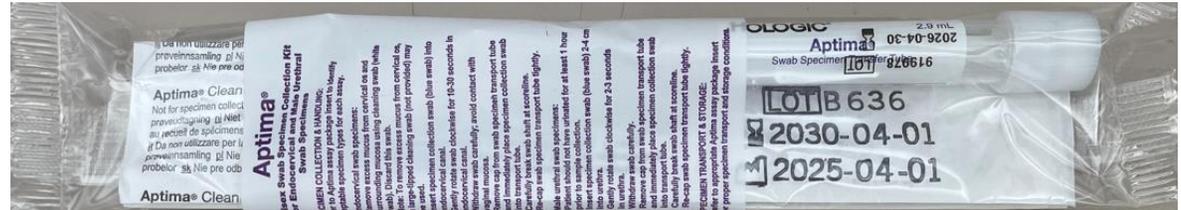
- Vaginitis Panel



- Chlamydia, Gonorrhoeae, and Trichomonas PCR
  - (vaginal source only)



- Chlamydia, Gonorrhoeae, and Trichomonas PCR
- MISCELLANEOUS TEST
  - (urethral source only)



- Chlamydia, Gonorrhoeae, PCR
- MISCELLANEOUS TEST
  - (throat or anal source only)



- CSF CJD or Rapidly Progressive Dementia Evaluation
  - Collect directly into this blue Sarstedt tube

