

# Aptima® Unisex Swab Specimen Collection Kit

## Collection procedure guide: Male urethra

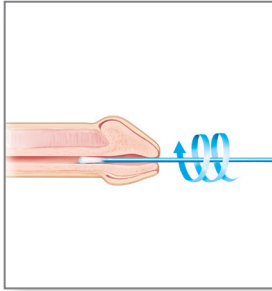


### Collection for male urethral swab specimens

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

#### Swab specimen collection guide for:

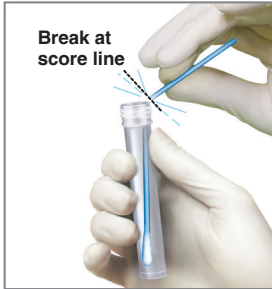
- *Chlamydia trachomatis* (CT)
- *Neisseria gonorrhoeae*



**Discard cleaning swab (white shaft with red print on label).** The cleaning swab is NOT needed for male specimen collection.

Insert specimen collection swab (blue shaft swab with green printing) 2 cm to 4 cm into urethra.

Gently rotate swab clockwise for 2 to 3 seconds in urethra to help ensure adequate sampling. Withdraw swab carefully.



While holding swab in hand, unscrew tube cap. Do not spill tube contents.

**If tube contents are spilled, discard and replace with a new Aptima unisex swab transport tube.**

Carefully break the swab shaft at the score line against the side of the tube. Discard top portion of swab shaft.

Visually inspect the side and bottom of the transport tube to ensure correct sample type. (See diagrams below.)



Re-cap swab specimen transport tube tightly.

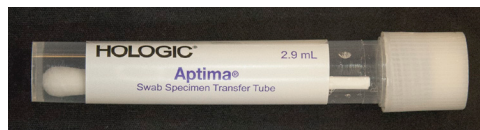
#### Specimen Transport and Storage

After collection, transport and store swab in the unisex specimen transport tube between 2°C to 30°C until tested.

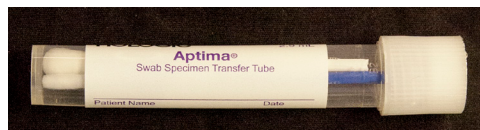
Specimens must be assayed with the Aptima assay for CT/NG within 60 days of collection.



One blue swab  
= **ACCEPT**



One white swab  
= **REJECT**



Two swabs  
= **REJECT**