

2023

Mid-stream Urine Collection

South Shore Regional Hospital

Collections that are not labelled correctly or do not have a requisition filled out will not be tested.

Instructions

- Your primary health care provider (family doctor or nurse practitioner) has given you a form for this test. This form is called a **requisition**.
 - Use **only** the collection bottles and wipes given to you by your primary health care provider, local lab, or blood collection clinic.
 - Use a pen that will not smudge when you are writing on the bottle. **If the staff at the lab cannot read what you wrote on the bottle label, your collection will not be tested.**
1. Write your **full name**, your **date of birth**, your **health card number**, and the **collection date and time** on both the **requisition and the bottle**.
 2. Wash your hands.
 3. Take the caps off the bottles. **Do not** touch the inside of the caps or bottles.

4. Clean your genital area.
 - **If you have a vagina:**
 - › Open a wipe.
 - › Separate (move apart) the labia (skin folds around the opening of the vagina).
 - › Wipe the area between your labia from front to back.
 - **If you have a penis:**
 - › Open a wipe.
 - › Pull back the foreskin (skin that covers the head of the penis).
 - › Wipe the head of your penis.
5. **Make sure your skin does not touch the bottle as you urinate (pee).**
6. Urinate a small amount into the toilet, then **stop the flow of urine** by tightening your pelvic muscles.
7. Urinate into the bottle until it is half full. **Stop the flow again.**

8. If you were asked for 2 urine collections, **fill the second bottle now**. If not, finish urinating in the toilet.
9. Close the lids of the bottles tightly. **Do not** touch the inside of the caps or bottles. **Check that the bottle does not leak**. Wash your hands.
10. Take each filled bottle and requisition to an approved drop-off site **as soon as you finish**. **If you do not bring the collection in soon enough, we may not be able to test it.**
 - If it will take **more than 2 hours to drop off your collections**, put the bottles in the fridge.
 - **Do not** put it in the freezer.



Each **requisition** must have:

- › Your **full name and date of birth**
- › Your **health card number**
- › Your **primary health care provider's full name and address**
- › The names of **all antibiotics you are taking**
- › The names of **all countries outside of North America that you have visited (or emigrated from) in the past 12 months**
- › **Date and time** of each urine collection

Take your sample(s) to one of these drop-off sites:

South Shore Regional Hospital

Main Floor

90 Glen Allan Drive

Bridgewater, NS B4V 2S6

Phone: 902-527-5261

Hours: Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Queen's General Hospital

1st Floor

175 School Street

Liverpool, NS BOJ 1K0

Phone: 902-354-3436

Hours (including Registration):

Monday to Friday, 8 to 11:30 a.m.

Closed for drop-offs from 8:30 to 9 a.m.

North Queen's Health Centre

9698 Highway 8

Caledonia, NS B0T 1B0

Phone: 902-682-2533

Hours (including Registration):

Wednesdays, 7:30 to 10:30 a.m.

**Closed for drop-offs from
9:50 to 10:20 a.m.**

Fishermen's Memorial Hospital

1st Floor Registration

14 High Street

Lunenburg, NS B0J 2C0

Phone: 902-634-8801

Hours (including registration)

Monday to Friday, 7:30 to 11 a.m.

**Closed for drop-offs from
9 to 9:30 a.m.**

Our Health Centre (OHC)

3769 Hwy 3

Chester, NS B0J 1J0

Phone: 902-275-2830

Hours (including Registration):

Mondays and Thursdays,

7:40 to 10:30 a.m.

**Closed for drop-offs from
9:30 to 10 a.m.**

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