

## Gonorrhea and Chlamydia Testing at UVMHC

Effective immediately, we are unable to provide Urine Collection Transport Tubes for GC and Chlamydia testing. There is a national shortage of this Hologic™ provided supply item required for our testing platform. We are only able to perform Urine testing for GC and Chlamydia if it arrives in the Hologic™ Transport Tubes. If you have a supply of the tubes in stock at your facility or can obtain some from another source please send samples in those tubes. Otherwise please collect and submit

Female Genitalia- Vaginal swabs (Multitest swab)



Male Genitalia - Urethral swabs (Unisex swab)



In addition, supplies for gonorrhea and chlamydia testing are extremely limited across the country as manufacturers have shifted focus to making Covid testing reagents. In order to conserve supplies for patients that need it most, we would ask that you **ONLY test** for gonorrhea and chlamydia **in patients with symptoms, at high risk, or with known exposure**. Asymptomatic, lower risk screening should be postponed until further notice.

Patient populations that should be tested are:

- Women with cervicitis
- Men, especially men who have sex with men, with urethritis or proctitis
- Asymptomatic women (especially pregnant ones) <25 years old or >25 years old with multiple partners or with a sex partner with an STI
- Asymptomatic men who have sex with men with an emphasis on extragenital testing (with priority placed on rectal over pharyngeal testing)

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