

Pharmacogenomics Requisition Form

7: SPECIMEN COLLECTION INSTRUCTIONS

Specimen Type	Volume	Container	Storage Conditions	Special Instructions
Peripheral Blood	Adult/Child: 5-10 ml	EDTA Tube Purple-top Tube	Room Temperature or Refrigerate	Do not Freeze
Buccal (cheek) swab	1 Swab	5ml tube (accompanies swab)	Room Temperature	Do not Freeze

8: SPECIMEN SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS – FEDERAL EXPRESS SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS

- Use sterile technique for specimen collection and close all containers tightly. **DO NOT FREEZE OR ADD FIXATIVE TO ANY SAMPLE.** Each specimen must be clearly labeled with at least two patient identifiers (patient's name and date of birth), along with the collection date. Secure each specimen container tightly to avoid leakage in transit.
- Complete the test requisition with the patient's demographics and insurance information. There is a secondary pouch in the biohazard bag for the test requisition. The clinical indication is required for appropriate cell culture parameters.
- Place the specimen in the absorbent material inside the enclosed biohazard bag. Then place the biohazard bag into the insulated specimen box labeled "Biohazardous Material" "Exempt Human Specimen". Please package the specimen carefully to protect it from breakage, leakage, and extreme temperatures. Place the specimen box inside the enclosed FedEx Clinical Pak (lab shipping bag) and seal.
- Attach the pre-labeled and prepaid FedEx air bill. You can call **FedEx at (800) 463-3339** to schedule a FedEx pickup. Alternately, a pick-up can be scheduled online at www.fedex.com. A two-hour notice may be required for same-day pick-up. Delivery address: **8 Enterprise Lane, Oakdale, CT. 06370**, via FedEx overnight.
- Contact Laboratory for additional shipping materials, further instructions or any questions: **860-574-9172**.