

Neonatal Conjunctivitis Specimen Collection Instructions



Supplies

- ▶ 1 sterile thick swab
- ▶ 1 molecular transport tube
- ▶ 1 specimen bag



**White
Tube**

**To ensure safety and validity of the sample
it is important to follow these instructions.**

Eyelid / Conjunctival / Corneal / Other Orbital Area Swab

1. Thoroughly swab the area(s) of interest by rotating the swab 5-10 times.
2. For conjunctival or eyelid swabs, separate swabs can be obtained from both eyes, and placed in the same collection tube, or into “Right” and/or “Left” side designated tubes, IF clinically indicated.
3. Immediately place the swab in the molecular transport tube.
4. Snap off excess handle and securely tighten the tube cap with the swab remaining in the tube.



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