

# Quick Reference Guide for Swabs

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	Collection Device	Tests and comments
ESwab		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Routine/Aerobic Culture</li> <li>• Anaerobic Culture</li> <li>• Fungal Culture</li> <li>• Acid Fast Bacillus Culture</li> <li>• Prenatal Strep Screen</li> <li>• Surveillance Cultures</li> <li>• Throat Culture</li> </ul>
Swab with Viral Transport Media: VTM, UTM, M4, M4-RT, M5 or M6		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Herpes Simplex Virus</li> <li>• Varicella Zoster Virus</li> <li>• Gonorrhea and/or Chlamydia</li> <li>• <i>Trichomonas vaginalis</i></li> <li>• Respiratory PCR testing (refer to test directory)</li> </ul> <p><b>Not all VTM types are acceptable for all tests.</b></p>
Red top swab		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Methicillin Resistant <i>S. aureus</i> Screen</li> <li>• Group A Strep, Culture Only</li> <li>• Group A Strep, Rapid Screen with reflex to backup Culture</li> <li>• Group B Strep by PCR (not for routine use)</li> </ul>
cobas PCR Media Uni Swab		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gonorrhea and/or Chlamydia</li> </ul> <p>Acceptable sources: vaginal, cervical, oropharyngeal (throat), and anorectal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Trichomonas vaginalis</i></li> </ul> <p>Acceptable sources: vaginal and cervical</p> <p><b>For patients 18 and older</b></p>
cobas PCR Media Urine Kit		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gonorrhea and/or Chlamydia for urine samples</li> <li>• <i>Trichomonas vaginalis</i></li> <li>• <i>Mycoplasma genitalium</i></li> </ul> <p><b>For patients 18 and over</b></p>
BD Molecular Swab Collection Kit		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vaginal Pathogens by PCR</li> </ul>

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cobas PCR Media Dual Swab		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Mycoplasma genitalium</i> for male urethra</li> <li>• <u>Endocervical</u> specimens, only, for <i>Trichomonas vaginalis</i> or Gonorrhea and/or Chlamydia</li> </ul> <p>The woven swab is for cleaning; do not submit woven swab for testing</p> <p><b>For patients 18 and over</b></p>
Aptima Unisex Collection		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gonorrhea and/or Chlamydia testing</li> <li>• <i>Trichomonas vaginalis</i></li> <li>• Gonorrhea and Chlamydia for conjunctiva (eye) swabs</li> </ul> <p><b>For patients under 18 years old</b></p>
Aptima Urine Collection		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gonorrhea and Chlamydia urine testing</li> <li>• <i>Trichomonas vaginalis</i> urine testing</li> </ul> <p><b>For patients under 18 years old</b></p>
ThinPrep		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Human Papillomavirus</li> <li>• HPV 16/18 Genotyping</li> <li>• Gonorrhea and/or Chlamydia</li> <li>• <i>Trichomonas vaginalis</i></li> </ul>
SurePath		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Human Papillomavirus</li> <li>• HPV 16/18 Genotyping</li> <li>• Gonorrhea and/or Chlamydia</li> <li>• <i>Trichomonas vaginalis</i></li> </ul>
Affirm		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Available at Cassia, only: Vaginosis panel - Candida, Gardnerella, Trichomonas</li> </ul>