Surgical Pathology

* Routine specimens
  + Collect specimen and immediately place in 10% Neutral Buffered Formalin
* Frozen Section Biopsies
  + Contact the Histology Lab 298-2080 prior to sending
  + Collect specimen and transport “fresh” to Histology **immediately**
* Lymph Node Biopsies where lymphoma or hematologic neoplasm is suspected
  + The specimen must be received in the Histology Lab by 2:00 pm Monday - Friday for proper send-out handling.
  + Contact the Histology Lab 298-2080 prior to sending.
  + Collect specimen and transport “fresh” to Histology **immediately**
* Muscle / Nerve Biopsies
  + Contact the Histology Lab 298-2080 at least 24 hours in advance of procedure
  + The specimen must be received in the Histology Lab by 2:00 pm Monday - Thursday for proper send-out handling.
  + Contact the Histology Lab 298-2080 prior to sending.
  + Collect specimen and transport stretched out on a tongue depressor or in plastic clamps with dampened saline gauze (not immersed in saline) to Histology **immediately**
* Cytogenetic or Molecular Studies
  + The specimen must be received in the Histology Lab by 2:00 pm Monday - Friday for proper send-out handling.
  + Contact the Histology Lab 298-2080 during business hours for assistance

Contact the pathologist on call 298-2064 for additional questions.

Cytology Gynecologic

* SurePath Liquid-Based Pap Test
  + Collect specimen and immediately place detachable broom and/or brush into vial.

Cytology Non-Gynecologic

* If specimen is placed into cytological fixative (“Pap fixative,” “Urine Fixative,” “CytoRich Red Fixative,” “Alcohol,” etc. transport specimen to Cytology Lab.
* If specimen is **not** placed into cytological fixative, refrigerate as soon as possible.

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