

# Lab Collection & Transport Guidelines

Check tubes, labels, and transport conditions to keep specimens ready for accurate lab testing.

#### **Lab Guide Reference**



https://www.testmenu.com/lifespan

### **Specimen Rejection Policy**



https://brownhealth-rih.policystat.com/policy/16444386/latest

#### **BD Vendor Contact**

To order tube guide posters, and order of draw badge cards ashley.coppola@bd.com

#### Remember to initial specimens

Specimens will be rejected if the collector's initials are missing from the specimen tubes.

## **Proper Transportation**

Specimens must be transported promptly and securely in sealed biohazard bags, lids fastened tightly and ice or temperature control used whenever required to maintain specimen integrity.

#### Always read and check the labels.

Always verify the label — ensure it's for venipuncture (not body fluids). A CBC label marked "LAV" must be on a lavender-top tube. Do not use 6 mL lavender tubes for CBCs.

# For more information, contact your Specimen Processing Department:

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