Transport of Lab Specimens

Proper Specimen Transport

- 1. Complete collection of specimens and verify the tests are marked as collected in EPIC.
- 2. Package specimens in a biohazard transport bag. Only ONE patient's specimens should be packaged per bag.
- 3. Send specimens via the pneumatic tube or walk specimens to the lab (see table to the right for specimens that must be walked to the lab).
 - 1. Send to pneumatic Tube Station #10 or #30.
 - 2. Walking specimens: Bring Clinical Pathology specimens to Lab Receiving CP2043. Bring Anatomical Pathology specimens to Histology CP2002.

Specimens that Must be Walked to the Lab

- All surgical specimens
- Formalin and/or alcohol preserved specimens
- Body fluids
- Specimens collected in a syringe
- Non-leak tight containers with liquids
- 24-hour urine containers
- Specimen bags with ice
- Irretrievable specimens