

Specimen Rejection

Samples will be rejected (cancelled or recollection requested) based on the following criteria.

- Inadequate volume
- Use of wrong collection device, method, or container
- Hemolysis
- Clotting
- Inappropriate patient preparation
- Improper handling or transport
- Leaking container/contaminated specimen
- Unacceptable specimen type or source
- Unlabeled, mislabeled specimen or requisition, or mismatched specimen and requisition information
- Incomplete collection information in Epic
- Specimens not meeting stability criteria for add on testing
- ABO Cap same collector as Type and Screen

All specimens that fall under the above criteria will be disposed of after contacting the ordering provider, and documentation completed in the EMR.

Irretrievable Specimens that are unique and/or difficult to recollect that are mislabeled/unlabeled such as:

- Cerebral Spinal Fluid and other body fluids
- Biopsy specimens
- Autopsy specimens
- Supra-pubic aspirate on newborn, or mini catheter on a child <5 years, may be tested at the discretion of the Laboratory Director/Manager or the Medical Director.

Person responsible for relabeling specimen will do so at the laboratory where the specimen is located and label the specimen and fill out the attestation form that will stay with the permanent medical record