
Swab Requirements for COVID-19 testing

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SWAB REQUIREMENTS FOR COVID-19 TESTING – ensure single swab only

As international supply chains continue to experience disruption, it is critical that resources are preserved to ensure sustainability of response. It is critical that only a single swab is taken for COVID-19 testing.

- Preferential sample is a single nasopharyngeal swab (NPS) in UTM OR
- If NPS is not available a single oropharyngeal swab (OPS) in UTM is acceptable.
- Please avoid using dry swabs.

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