Clean Catch (Midstream) Urine Specimen Collection Instructions

- 1. Obtain sterile container and a towelette for cleansing from healthcare provider.
- 2. Wash your hands with soap and water.
- 3. Make sure specimen container is labeled with your name and date of birth.
- 4. Open the urine specimen container. Avoid touching the inside of the container or inside of lid.
- 5. Open the towelette pack and cleanse genital area with towelette.
 - <u>Female Genitalia</u>: Separate folds of urinary opening with thumb and forefinger and clean with towelette, using downward strokes only; keep separated during urination into container.
 - <u>Male Genitalia</u>: Clean the tip of the penis, including the urinary tract opening. If necessary, retract the foreskin from the urinary tract opening.
- 5. Begin urination into toilet. As urination continues (mid-stream), place container in path of urine stream. Fill the container halfway with urine.
- 6. Tightly screw the lid of the urine container. Avoid touching the inside of the lid or container.
- 7. Wash your hands with soap and water.
- 8. Return the sample to healthcare worker. Return the sample to the laboratory within 1 hour of collection, or store refrigerated for up to 24 hours.

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