

Self-Collect, HPV, Vaginal Swab

Order Name: Self Col HPV

Test Number: 5195627

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TEST NAME	METHODOLOGY	LOINC CODE
HPV, Other HR Types	Nucleic acid amplification (NAA)	71431-1
HPV 16 type	Nucleic acid amplification (NAA)	77399-4
HPV 18 type	Nucleic acid amplification (NAA)	77400-0
Additional Information	Interpretive information.	n/a

SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS				
Specimen	Specimen Volume (min)	Specimen Type	Specimen Container	Transport Environment
Preferred	See Instructions	Vaginal Swab	See Instructions	Room Temperature
Instructions	<p>Specimen: Vaginal swab collected with Copan FLOQSwab 552C.RM (The appropriate collection for this test requires a Copan FLOQSwab 552C.RM and a Thinprep® vial. These products are available as a kit using PeopleSoft No. 144747)</p> <p>Volume: 2mL (1mL Note: This volume does not allow for repeat testing.)</p> <p>Container: ThinPrep® vial</p> <p>Storage Instructions: Maintain liquid-based cytology specimens at room temperature.</p> <p>Stability Requirements: Room temperature and Refrigerated 30 days, (stability provided by manufacturer or literature reference), Frozen Not acceptable.</p> <p>Collection: The vaginal swab is collected using the Copan FLOQSwab 552C.RM and placed into a ThinPrep® vial containing PreservCyt solution.</p> <p>Patient Self Collection: 1. Patient should wash hands with soap and water prior to collecting the specimen. 2. Twist and pull cap to remove the FLOQSwab from the plastic sleeve. 3. Hold the FLOQSwab at the red mark. 4. Standing in a comfortable position, use the free hand to spread the skin of the vaginal opening, while carefully inserting the swab up to the red mark. 5. Gently rotate the swab for 10-30 seconds. 6. Place the swab back into the tube until you hear a CLICK. After collection, hand the swab to a health care professional for processing. Wash hands with soap and water.</p> <p>Healthcare Professional FLOQSwab Processing: 1. Handle the collected sample with care. 2. Carefully uncap the ThinPrep® vial and place it on a stable, flat surface. 3. Slowly pull the FLOQSwab cap off to remove the swab from the tube. Minimize touching the inner walls of the tube as you remove the FLOQSwab. 4. Hold the vial with one hand then with the other hand place the FLOQSwab tip into the vial until the FLOQSwab tip is fully immersed in the medium and touching the bottom of the vial. 5. Holding onto the vial, swirl the FLOQSwab along the inner vial wall for 20 seconds while ensuring the swab remains immersed in the medium. Be careful not to splash. 6. Carefully draw the FLOQSwab up along the inner vial wall until the tip is no longer immersed in the medium. Hold the tip against the inner vial wall to drain fluid off of the swab. Place the FLOQSwab into the tube and discard. 7. Re-cap the vial and tighten until the lines on the cap and vial meet or slightly overlap to prevent leakage. Store upright.</p> <p>Patient Preparation: In the three days prior to self-collection of a vaginal sample, use of vaginal ovules, creams or washes, vaginal contraceptives or condoms should be avoided. In the two days prior to self-collection of a vaginal sample, sexual intercourse and ultrasound scans or gynecological examinations should be abstained from.</p> <p>Cause for Rejection: Improper collection; inadequate specimen; improper labeling; specimen more than one month old in ThinPrep(R) vial; frozen specimen; specimen leaked in transit; quantity not sufficient for analysis; name discrepancies; non-vaginal source submitted; specimen submitted in SurePath(TM) vial; excessively bloody specimens; ThinPrep(R) vial containing the vaginal swab.</p>			

GENERAL INFORMATION

Expected TAT	3-5 Days
Clinical Use	This test detects 14 High Risk HPV types in self-collected vaginal swabs processed into ThinPrep® vials. HPV 16 and HPV 18 are specifically identified, whereas the other 12 High Risk types (HPV 31, 33, 35, 39, 45, 51, 52, 56, 58, 59, 66 and 68) are reported in a pool.
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CPT Code(s)	87626
Lab Section	Reference Lab