


ORDER OF DRAW GUIDE



BLOOD CULTURES	LT. BLUE Na Citrate	RST TUBE SERUM	SST TUBE SERUM	PLAIN RED SERUM	ROYAL BLUE PLAIN	GREEN TOP HEPARIN	Quantiferon	EDTA LAV. PINK & PEARL	ROYAL BLUE EDTA	GREY Na/F
	Coagulation Studies	Orange Gel Tube	Pumpkin or yellow gel tube	No Gel	Be sure that your tube is the PLAIN tube.	<u>Dark Green</u> Sodium Heparin and Lithium Heparin		<u>Lavender</u> Hematology	Be sure that you have the EDTA tube.	Sodium Fluoride
PEDIATRIC BOTTLE	NOTE: Fill completely. Line on tube.	Most Chemistry Testing	Serology Testing	Send out Testing Special chemistry	The Royal Blue EDTA tube is very similar.	<u>Light Green</u> Lithium Heparin		<u>Pink</u> Transfusion	The Royal Blue PLAIN tube is very similar.	
Blood Cultures. Draw one green and one orange bottle for adults. One yellow for pediatrics TB/ Fungal— Dark green sodium heparin	If using a butterfly, draw a blue waste tube	<u>Community Clients:</u> Draw an extra tube for GTT Fasting	Send-Out Testing				Four tube quantiferon kit	<u>Pearl</u>		

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Use the above chart to collect your specimens in the correct order. Using the incorrect order of draw will have a negative effect upon your laboratory test results.
- If a BLOOD CULTURE is requested, please follow proper skin cleansing protocol.
 - See our web site / policy for detailed instructions
- ACD (Yellow) tubes, when required, should always be the last tube collected.
- All tubes should be rocked gently 6-8 times after collection.
- Serum tubes should be allowed to clot upright for ten minutes prior to centrifugation.
- It is recommended that serum tubes be centrifuged

PT/INR and APTT INSTRUCTIONS:

- PT/INR Only—Transport at room temperature with 24 hours
- PT/INR and APTT—Transport at room temperature to arrive at lab within four hours of collection.
 - If timing for APTT cannot be met, Draw a separate light blue tube for the PT and APTT. Centrifuge and aliquot plasma from one tube. Transport refrigerated within 24 hours.

For detailed instructions: [WakeMed Find A Test](#)

Or you may call: 919-350-8242

