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## NON-GYN (NON PAP) INFORMATION

**\*NOTE: Absence of any of the required information on specimen label and requisition may delay processing of the specimen.**

- A. All specimen containers must have two patient identifiers and source information.
- B. All specimens must be accompanied by a fully completed requisition.  
 \*See General Cytology specimen information for details.
- C. All specimens need to be refrigerated
- D. Specifics by specimen type:

TEST	MATERIALS	Additional INFO	Comments
Bladder Wash	50 cc isotonic saline.	Hx of bladder tumor.	
Breast FNA			Call Cytology for instructions. 208-381-2605
Nipple discharge	Use Superfrost Plus slide. Available in cytology	LMP, DOB, exact location of discharge, pertinent clinical hx.	Smear discharge directly on slide. Fix immediately. Label with name, date, source.
Bronchial brushing	2 specimen traps 1-5 microscope slides Two containers of fixative (95% ETOH, Cytolyte, Carnoy's)	DOB, cough characteristics, smoking hx, hx of masses, occupation, previous cancer treatment, time of procurement.	Make direct smears from the bronch brush. Fix smears immediately in 95% ETOH. Label slides with name, date, source.
Cerebrospinal Fluid (CSF)	CSF collecting tubes	Specify any metastatic cancer.	Precise clinical hx is very important to determine how the specimen is handled.
Cyst Fluid Aspiration	Appropriate syringe and needle.	Exact location of cyst and pertinent clinical information.	Remove needle and recap syringe. Send specimen to cytology ASAP.
Fine Needle Aspiration	Appropriate syringe and needle.	Source type, exact location and pertinent clinical information.	DO NOT MAKE SMEARS. Remove needle and recap syringe. Send specimen to cytology ASAP.
Herpetic Lesion and Wounds	Scalpel or cotton tipped applicator. 2-4 'Superfrost Plus' slides	Name, sex, DOB, pregnant. Hx of herpes and source of lesion	Remove crust and debris from lesion. Using scalpel or applicator, vigorously scrape the

			edge of the lesion. Smear evenly on slide and allow to air dry. Label slide with name, date and source.
Peritoneal/Pleural Fluids	Appropriate sized collection container	Name, DOB, exact location of source. Pertinent clinical history.	Consult physician for special orders like micro or chemistry.
Sputum	Collect specimen in appropriate container. Specimen should be refrigerated and sent to lab ASAP.	Name, sex, DOB, history of smoking, history of lung cancer, cancer type, history of chemo or radiation	A fresh, 1 <sup>st</sup> of the morning sputum.
Urine	Urine collection container (Covidien Precision or similar)	Voided or catheterized urine	Use 2 <sup>nd</sup> void of the morning. Use clean catch technique. Refrigerate and transport to lab ASAP.

Please call St Luke's Cytology at 208-381-2605 with questions.