



## LABORATORY MEDICINE SERVICES

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### MICROBIOLOGICAL SAMPLING: GUIDELINES

#### Female patients

##### **VAGINAL SWOB/ ENDOCERVIAL SWOB/ URETHRAL SWOB**

- Abstain from sexual intercourse for the 24 hours preceding the examination.
- The exam must be performed at least 7 days from the last time you took antibiotics.
- Do not perform vaginal irrigations during the 24 hours preceding the examination.
- Do not undergo the exam during your menstrual period.
- Refrain from urinating three hours prior to the examination in the case of a urethral swab.


#### Male Patients

##### **URETHRAL SWAB / SPERMIOCULTURE**

- Abstain from sexual intercourse for the 24 hours preceding the examination (3-4 days for the spermioculture)
- The exam must be performed at least 7 days from the last time you took antibiotics.
- Refrain from urinating three hours prior to the examination in the case of a urethral swab.

### **SATURDAY MORNING SWABS AND CULTURES ARE NOT RETRIEVED**

➡ **Bring health card, social security number and identity card.**

  
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