

SPECIMEN STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

PANEL	SPECIMEN COLLECTION TUBE	STORAGE
Respiratory Panel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Universal Viral Transport for Viruses • Chlamydiae • Mycoplasmas and Ureaplasmas 	<p>Refrigerate within 8 hours. Specimens are stable for 48 hours at room temp or 72 hours when refrigerated.</p>
GI Panel	<p>COPAN Fecal Swab (Orange Top) or swab in Cary Blair Media</p>	<p>Specimens are stable for 48 hours at room temp or 72 hours when refrigerated.</p>
Wellness Panel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 BD Yellow Top (SST) Tubes & 2 BD Purple Top (EDTA) Tubes 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Allow twenty minutes after collection for tubes to clot 2. Centrifuge yellow top tubes 3. Refrigerate all tubes
STI + UTI Panel	<p>BD Yellow/Black Top (Boric Acid)</p>	<p>Refrigerate immediately after collection. Specimen is stable for up to 48 hours at 2-8°C.</p>
Wound Panel	<p>COPAN eswab in Liquid Amies or Liquid Amies Media w/ nylon swab</p>	<p>Specimens are stable for 48 hours at room temp or 4°C.</p> <p>Refrigerate after collection if possible.</p>