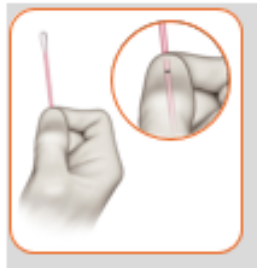


# Aptima Multitest Swab Clinician Collection Guide

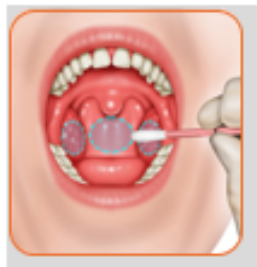
## For throat swab specimens

### Swab specimen collection guide for:

*Chlamydia trachomatis* (CT)  
*Neisseria gonorrhoeae* (GC)  
*Trichomonas vaginalis* (TV)



Partially open swab package and remove swab. Do not touch the soft tip or lay the swab down. If the soft tip is touched, laid down, or dropped, discard and get a new Aptima Multitest Swab Specimen Collection Kit. Hold swab, placing thumb and forefinger in the middle of shaft covering black score line. Do not hold shaft below score line.



Carefully insert the swab into the throat ensuring contact with bilateral tonsils (if present) and the posterior pharyngeal wall, then withdraw the swab without touching the inside of the cheeks or tongue.



**While holding swab in hand, unscrew tube cap.** Do not spill tube contents. If tube contents are spilled, discard and replace with a new Aptima Multitest Swab Specimen Collection Kit.



Immediately place swab into transport tube so black score line is at the top of the tube. **Align the score line with top edge of tube and carefully break shaft.** Discard top portion of shaft.



Tightly screw cap onto tube. When collecting multiple specimens from the same patient, the tube label provides a specimen source field for unique identification for specimen location.

