

 <p>Putting Patients First <i>better health • better care • better value • better teams</i></p>	<p>Name of Activity: What Collection Tubes are Required – Standard Work</p> <p>Role performing Activity: All staff who collect laboratory specimens</p>	
<h1>STANDARD WORK</h1>	<p>Location: All wards and labs performing phlebotomy with Laboratory barcode labels (generated from LIS)</p>	<p>Department: Pathology and Laboratory Medicine</p>
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Standard Work Summary: This document provides information to determine which collection tubes are to be used for specific blood collection.

Essential Tasks:																					
1.	Specimens for laboratory tests must be collected in the proper collection tube. Some tests require the use of anticoagulants to keep the blood from clotting or to keep the analytic component stable.																				
2.	<p>Barcoded laboratory labels print a code that corresponds to the collection tube required; however the codes need translation. The chart below translates the more common codes.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="360 1125 1325 1461" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: center;">Collection Tube Type</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Label Codes</th> <th rowspan="8" style="text-align: center; vertical-align: middle;">Label all specimens with starred label</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>Blue</td><td>*BLU*</td></tr> <tr><td>Lavender EDTA</td><td>*LAV*</td></tr> <tr><td>Red (no gel)</td><td>*R10*</td></tr> <tr><td>Tiger (gel)</td><td>*VSS*</td></tr> <tr><td>Gold (gel)</td><td>*SST*</td></tr> <tr><td>Light Green Li Hep (gel)</td><td>*PST*</td></tr> <tr><td>Green Li Hep (no gel)</td><td>*GPT*</td></tr> <tr><td>Royal Blue (K2 EDTA)</td><td>*K2E*</td></tr> </tbody> </table>		Collection Tube Type	Label Codes	Label all specimens with starred label	Blue	*BLU*	Lavender EDTA	*LAV*	Red (no gel)	*R10*	Tiger (gel)	*VSS*	Gold (gel)	*SST*	Light Green Li Hep (gel)	*PST*	Green Li Hep (no gel)	*GPT*	Royal Blue (K2 EDTA)	*K2E*
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