

Specimen Collection

Specimen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swabs
Labelling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Label Container <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ First and last name ○ Provincial Health Services Number ○ Date and time of collection • Write time and date of collection on requisition
Collection Procedure	<p>You have been asked to provide a sample of cheek (buccal) cells to perform a DNA test in the laboratory. <u>It is important that the attached instruction sheet be followed exactly to provide the best specimen</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DO NOT eat, drink (except water), smoke, brush your teeth or chew gum for 1 hour before doing swab. • Each tube must be labelled with the name, birthdate, health services number of the person being collected, and date you did the swab. • Place sealed tubes in cushioned envelope and send to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> HLA Laboratory St. Paul's Hospital 1702 20th Street West Saskatoon, SK S7M 0Z9 • Indicate on the outside of the envelope "Exempt Human Specimen" • Be sure to include the accompanying requisition. The requisition must be signed by the person collecting the swabs, and the date and time of collection must be filled out. • The cost of mailing is at your expense. If there are any questions please call the HLA Laboratory at (306)-655-5205, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday
Required Volume	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Optimal Volume: Two swabs are required. See instructions on the next page.
Stability/ Storage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can be dropped off at RUH Test Centre, SPH Test Centre or any Patient Collection Centre

Patient Instruction for Buccal Swab Collection



INTRODUCTION

FLOQSwabs® hDNA Free is a line of Copan patented FLOQSwabs® for Buccal sample collection for Genetic testing.



PRECAUTIONS:

Do not eat, drink (except for water), smoke, brush your teeth or chew gum for **one hour** before collecting the buccal sample.



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Wear clean gloves prior to sample collection. Open the peelpouch (Fig. A). Hold the plastic tube with one hand and with the thumb, push on the upper part of the cap to facilitate the opening (Fig. B).

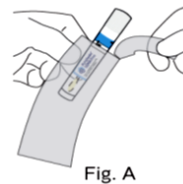


Fig. A



Fig. B

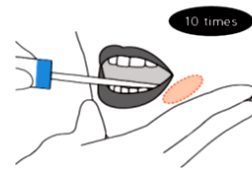
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To improve sample collection, place the index and middle finger of the opposite hand against the outside of the cheek. Open the mouth slightly, put the swab into the mouth and rub firmly against the inside of the cheek and lower gums for 10 times.



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Repeat step 2 on the other side of the mouth.



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After collection, place the swab back into the original plastic tube and close firmly.



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