

GOOD LABORATORY PRACTICE

SAMPLE COLLECTION - VENOUS BLOOD

BEFORE COLLECTION

- ◆ Train on procedure and safety
- ◆ Check requisition and patient ID
- ◆ Get supplies
 - Tourniquet - puncture device - tubes or bottles - disinfectant wipes - gauze - bandage - biohazard container
- ◆ Wash hands - put on gloves

COLLECTION

- ◆ Apply tourniquet and select site
- ◆ Use peripheral veins (catheters may be contaminated)
- ◆ Clean site with disinfectant
- ◆ For multiple tubes, follow “draw order”
- ◆ Follow collection tube instructions (i.e. proper volume, mixing etc.)
- ◆ Remove needle - apply pressure with dry gauze pad
- ◆ Place entire puncture device in biohazard box
- ◆ Bandage puncture site
- ◆ Label samples with name, unique ID and DOB before leaving the patient

AFTER COLLECTION

- ◆ Process, store or transport sample(s) as required by testing laboratory
- ◆ Remove gloves, dispose in biohazard waste and wash hands

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