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Seminal Fluids – Monday to Friday ONLY

The examination of seminal fluids for infertility and post vasectomy purposes are non-urgent community-based tests that are only available during normal working hours. Over time we have seen an increase in seminal fluids being collected and delivered on weekends.

The laboratory is staffed on weekends to perform urgent and on-going laboratory testing only, not routine non-urgent testing.

We would like to remind all requestors and their patients that seminal fluids (for both infertility and post vasectomy examinations) should:

- Only be collected and delivered Monday to Friday to the main laboratory collection rooms
- **NOT** to be collected and delivered on Saturday, Sunday, or statutory holidays.

The patient instructions have been updated <u>HERE on our website</u> to clearly indicate the collection/drop-off day. Please ensure you discard any old "Seminal Fluid Collection, Patient Instructions" and provide patients with this updated version.

Effective 1st June 2019, seminal fluids received on weekends or statutory holidays will **not** be processed and a request for a recollect will be issued.

If you have any question with regards to the above, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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