







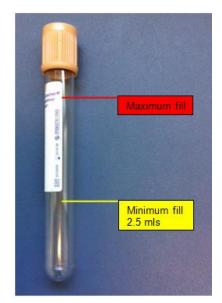
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## **Urine Collection Tube Change**

This notice is to advise a change in the tube that Pathlab supplies for urine microscopy and culture.

The 12ml WHITE screw cap tube is being replaced by a TAN coloured BD tube.

This change is in preparation for the introduction of an automated IRIS Urine Analyser.



The minimum urine volume required in the dedicated TAN tube is 2.5mls to enable sampling and analysis by the instrument.

There will be inevitable circumstances, e.g. paediatrics, when the minimum collect volume of 2.5mls of urine is not achievable.

It would be appreciated if these low volume samples are kept to a minimum as they will need to be manually processed.

Pathlab requests your assistance during the change over and ask that all stock of the white screw cap tubes

are used before starting the TAN tube.

This gives an opportunity for all practices to check stock levels of urine tubes in work rooms and storerooms and is also a friendly reminder not to over order consumables.

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