



Use of New BD SurePath Vial Required

A change of SurePath vial was introduced in April 2014. Refer insert for reference.

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BD SurePath Vial Collection Change

BD SurePath™ Liquid-based Pap Test

Unique Sample Collection

From the 1st of April 2014, the SurePath vial configuration will change. The vial will remain the same size but has a new addition of a plastic structure inside the vial and there are some minor changes to the lid and container design. Pathlab appreciates your assistance during this transition and request that all stock of the old vials be used before starting the new vials.





Steps to follow:

1. Collect the sample in the usual manner.
2. Use the **larger opening** of the internal plastic structure to hold and detach head of sampling device.
3. If a brush is also being used, snap off head and place in the **larger opening**.
4. Replace cap firmly.
5. **Please do not attach** the barcode labels on the new Surepath vials to the laboratory request form.

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CLINICAL UPDATE

Pathlab continues to receive large volumes of the old vials.

From January 2015 the **old vial will not** be compatible with the new technology for processing these samples. This will result in a request to recollect specimen in the new vial.

To assist in completing the transition to the new vial (and to avoid any unnecessary recall of patients) please return all stock of 'old' vials to the laboratory for replacement.

Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

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