

## SEMINAL FLUID COLLECTION PATIENT INSTRUCTIONS

It is important to follow these instructions carefully to ensure your test results are accurate.

## Preparation:

- Specimens ONLY to be collected and dropped off Monday Friday inclusive:
  - Cameron Rd, Tauranga before 4.30pm
  - o Pathlab Rotorua Hospital site, Rotorua before 4pm
  - Pathlab Taupo Hospital site, Taupo by appointment only (no drop offs)
  - Tristram St, Hamilton before 4pm
    - Pathlab Whakatane Hospital site, Whakatane before 4pm

Please note, we are not able to process specimens over weekends or public holidays.

## Collection Procedure:

- 1. Do not have intercourse or masturbate for a minimum of two days, but no longer than seven days, before providing the sample. This ensures optimal numbers of sperm present.
- 2. Wash your hands and penis before collecting the sample, to minimise transfer of bacteria from your skin into the sample.
- 3. Collect the sample by masturbation into the plastic jar provided. Do not use any form of condom or lubrication. N.B. The whole sample is required for testing, if you spill any, please obtain a fresh container and collect a fresh sample.
- 4. Label the container with your full name, date of birth (DOB) and the time that you collected the sample.
- 5. It is important to keep the sample warm and deliver to the laboratory site listed above within one hour of collection.
- 6. Complete the details and bring this form with the laboratory request form.

NAME:			
DOCTOR:			
When was the sample collected?	Date:_	Time:	
How many days abstinence have yo	u had?		
Was any of the specimen spilled?		YES / NO	
		Please Circle One	
Your results can on	ly be ob	tained from the requesting doctor	

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