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<b>C. trachomatis &amp; N. gonorrhoeae PCR Testing (non-GUM)</b>			

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**AFFIX LABEL OR ENTER DETAILS LEGIBLY**

Male/Female	Surname	Forename	D.O.B.
Address		H&C No.	
_____		Hospital _____ Ward/Clinic _____	
_____		Or GP cypher / practice / GP name _____	
_____		Or other source _____	
Postcode _____			
<p><b>Male/Female Urine</b> - collect using 'cobas PCR Urine Sample Kit'.....{GUMU}</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Prior to sampling, patient should not urinate for at least 1 hour and female patients should not cleanse labial area.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Patient should collect first-catch urine (10 to 50mL of initial urine stream) in urine collection cup.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Immediately transfer urine into 'cobas PCR Media' tube using disposable pipette.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Correct volume of urine has been added when fluid level is between two black 'Urine Fill Lines' on tube.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Tightly re-cap 'cobas PCR Media' tube and <b>invert 5 times</b> to mix contents.</p> <p><b>Endocervical Swab</b> – collect using 'cobas PCR Female Swab Sample Kit'.....{GUM}</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Using one swab, remove excess mucus from cervical os and surrounding mucosa, discard swab.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Insert other swab into endocervical canal and gently rotate swab 5 times in one direction.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Place swab in 'cobas PCR Media' tube, break off and discard top part of swab shaft.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Tightly re-cap 'cobas PCR Media' tube.</p> <p><b>Vaginal Swab</b> - collect using 'cobas PCR Female Swab Sample Kit'..... {GUM}</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Insert one swab 5cm into vaginal opening and gently turn swab for 30 seconds while rubbing swab against wall of vagina.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Place swab in 'cobas PCR Media' tube, break off and discard top part of swab shaft.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Tightly re-cap 'cobas PCR Media' tube.</p> <p><b>N.B.</b> Do not pre-wet swabs with 'cobas PCR Media' before obtaining an endocervical or vaginal swab specimen.</p> <p><b>N.B.</b> It is only necessary to send one specimen per patient.</p> <p><b>N.B.</b> Transport specimen to Regional Virus Laboratory at 2°C to 30°C.</p>			
<b>Specimen type:</b>		<b>Specimen date &amp; time:</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Urine <input type="checkbox"/> Endocervical swab <input type="checkbox"/> Vaginal swab			
<b>Signature:</b>		<b>Lab Use:</b>	

- Specimens should be packaged as per the laboratory user manual. Ensure specimen container lids are well secured to prevent leakage in transit.
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