# **Urine collection instructions**

In consultation with your physician or GP, you will have a urine test. If you have an infection, your urine will contain pathogenic micro-organisms. These are bacteria or yeasts. For this test, you will collect urine at home. This leaflet contains information about how to do this.

# Yellow envelope

Your physician or GP has given you a yellow envelope.

## What does the yellow envelope contain?



tube and straw

absorption sheet

safety bag

## **Urine collection instructions**

The urine collection instructions can be found on the back of this leaflet. Please read these instructions carefully before starting.

## Handing over the envelope (\*)

Your physician or GP will tell you where to hand over the envelope. You should do this as soon as possible after collecting the urine.

## **Your questions**

If you have any questions about the collection of urine and/or the test results, you should contact your physician or GP. If you have any other questions, you can contact the laboratory:

- telephone 072 548 3664
- e-mail servicemicrobiologie@nwz.nl

More information about the laboratory can be found at <a href="www.nwz.nl">www.nwz.nl</a> under the specialism: medical microbiology (medische microbiologie).



## **Urine collection instructions**

Please follow the instructions below carefully:

- next to the tube you will find a label with your personal data. You stick it on the tube, if this has not already been done. Don't have a label? Then write name, date of birth and BSN on the tube
- 2. leave the cap on the tube
- 3. you should preferably collect morning urine
- 4. wash your hands before urinating
- 5. remove the lid from the urine collection container that you received from your physician or GP
- pass a little bit of urine first and then collect as much urine as
  possible in the urine collection container, at least 20 ml. If you
  have a urinary catheter, you should collect urine from the tube,
  not from the bag
- 7. tightly put the lid on the container to prevent it from leaking
- 8. hold the container upright in your hand and tilt it back and forth 3 to 5 times
- now remove the lid from the container again and put the straw into the urine.

Be careful: the cap of the straw contains a sharp needle

- 10. push the tube with the cap downwards as far into the opening of the cap of the straw as possible. The tube now fills with urine automatically. When the filling stops, you should pull the tube from the opening of the container and remove the straw
- 11. gently tilt the tube back and forth 8 to 10 times and check if the tube shows your name and date of birth
- 12. throw away the remaining urine from the container into the toilet or bedpan cleaner. Throw the container and the straw into the waste bin
- 13. when you are finished, put the tube with the absorption sheet in the safety bag. Close the safety bag and then place it in the yellow envelope
- 14. store the envelope in the refrigerator

Now read the following chapter on the front of this leaflet: 'Handing over the envelope (\*)'.



Do not remove te cap

#### **Important**

If the tube does not fill with urine, you should hand over the sealed collection container. Write down your name, date of birth and BSN on the container and proceed to point 12.



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