

Acceptable Collection Container

Peritoneal Dialysis Culture



Alternate Name:		None
Performing Lab:		New Hanover
Test Includes:		Isolation and identification of potential aerobic and anaerobic pathogens.
		Antibiotic susceptibility testing of aerobes where indicated.
		Gram stain
Specimen Container:		Sterile screw cap container
Minimum Volume Required	:	1 mL
Testing Availability	Routine: Stat:	24 hours/day No
Turnaround Time:		Preliminary reports for aerobic organisms reported after 24 hours and after 48 hours for anaerobes.
		Complete reports of cultures with anaerobic bacteria may take as long as 10 days to weeks after receipt of the culture.
Special Handling:		Specimens must be delivered to the laboratory within 30 minutes of collection.
Patient Preparation:		None
Specimen Stability:		N/A
Reference Range:		No Growth
Critical Value:		N/A
CPT Code:		87070
HED Test Group: HED Test Name:		Test Group – MLAB Test Name - Peritoneal Dialysis Culture

Testing Methodology:	Culture and direct observation
Causes for Specimen Rejection:	Improper labeling
	Specimen not collected in a sterile container.
	Specimen container must not be contaminated on the outside of the container.
	Specimens must be delivered to the laboratory within 30 minutes of collection.
Other Comments:	
Clinical Significance:	N/A