## **INSTRUCTIONS FOR OROPHARYNGEAL SAMPLE COLLECTION**

USING FLOCKED SWAB AND UTM™ UNIVERSAL TRANSPORT MEDIA

## **COLLECTION SUPPLIES**

- Swab (1)
- Tube of medium (1)



## **COLLECT THE SAMPLE**



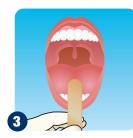
Wash hands with soap and water and don personal protective equipment.



Remove the swab from its packaging, holding by the end of the applicator and identify the breaking point.



Position head slightly back.



Depress the tongue so that the back of the throat can be seen.



Rub the swab up and down against the back of the throat, avoiding the tongue and cheeks.

## PACKAGE THE SAMPLE



While holding the swab, remove the cap from the tube.

- Insert the swab into the tube until the breakpoint is level with the tube opening.
- Bend the swab shaft at a 180 degrees angle to break it off at the breaking point. You may need to gently rotate the swab shaft to complete the breakage.



Discard the broken part of the applicator into an approved waste disposal container.



Screw the cap back onto the tube and apply patient identification label or write patient information on the tube label.



Wash hands with soap and water.

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