CORD BLOOD Collection Instructions for LABOR & DELIVERY STAFF

For ex-utero collection: Place placenta and umbilical cord in sterile basin, then proceed with collection instructions, beginning with cleaning of the cord.

COLLECT Maternal Samples

When collecting standard maternal labs fill, label, and double bag the 3 tubes provided. Return them to the Collection Kit.



CLEAN The Umbilical Cord

Put on clean gloves and use the provided Prep Pads to thoroughly clean the umbilical cord.



COLLECT Cord Blood

d Collect as much as possible - every cell counts!



- 1. Close the white clamp.
- 2. Remove the needle cover by twisting and pulling from base.
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- 2. Hold needle guard and pull tubing to retract needle into guard.
- 3. Pop open the blue tubing vent and allow blood to fully drain into the collection bag.
- 4. Tie two firm knots in the tubing to prevent leakage during shipping.
- 5. Remove needle by cutting the tubing between the clamp and the needle guard. Dispose of the needle in a sharps container.

ASSEMBLE Prepare Sample For ViaCord Pickup

- 1. Place the large yellow label on the collection bag.
- 2. Double-bag in the clear and biohazard bags provided. Do not remove the absorbent material.
- 3. Return the full collection bag to the kit box. DO NOT REFRIGERATE OR SEAL THE BOX.
- 4. Determine if cord tissue is also being collected. If so, proceed to cord tissue collection instructions.
- 5. Return the Collection Kit to the family and instruct them to call ViaCord at 800-998-4226

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1. Note: If vessel wall i

Insert needle into cleaned umbilical vein and open the white clamp.



Lower the bag and allow gravity to flow to collect as much blood as possible (5+ minutes).

Note: If vessel wall is punctured or a clot forms, clamp the cord above the puncture or clot. Locate a new site, repeat cleansing and reintroduce the needle into the cord.



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CORD TISSUE Collection Instructions for LABOR & DELIVERY STAFF

Ask your patient if both cord blood & cord tissue should be collected.



- Collecting physician's name
 - Collection date and time
- 2. Place the specimen cup in the biohazard bag provided. Do not remove the absorbent material.
- 3. Return the specimen cup to the kit box. DO NOT REFRIGERATE OR SEAL THE BOX.
- 4. Return the Collection Kit to the family and instruct them to call ViaCord at 800-998-4226.

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