Chlamydia/Neisseria Molecular Testing for Non-Genital Sources

This test is used for specimen types that are non-FDA approved which include ocular, oral, anal, or rectal swabs and peritoneal fluid.

Refer to Chlamydia/Neisseria PCR Testing via Roche Cobas for testing genital (endocervix and vaginal swabs) and urine samples. Testing of these samples is performed on-site by North Memorial Health Laboratory.

Non-genital sources molecular testing is sent to Mayo Medical Labs for testing. Molecular testing available for non-genital sources:
- Test# 1679 – Chlamydia trachomatis, Miscellaneous Sites, by NAA (GEN-PROBE)
- Test# 1677 – Neisseria gonorrhoea, Miscellaneous Sites, By NAA (GEN-PROBE)

Or by culture:
- Test# 1055 – GC Culture performed at North Memorial Laboratory. Refer to GC Culture in sidebar content.

Limitations of Testing:
Molecular testing should not be used as an assessment of therapeutic success or failure as it can detect non-viable DNA causing false positive results.

Molecular testing of suspected sexual abuse or other medical-legal indications may be helpful in treatment of the victim/patient; however, it may not be legally acceptable as evidence in a court of law.

Specimen Types:
- Eyes
- Oral/Throat
- Rectal/Anal

Material Required:
- Aptima Collection Unisex Swab
- Aptima Multitest Swab Specimen Collection Kit Swab
- Aptima ThinPrep Transport Tube

Specimen Collection
Refer to test catalog for specific test information and collection instructions.