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Section 1. Patient Demographics							
Patient ID Number							
Last Name	First Name	me		MI	// Date of Birth	N	flale
Street Address (number and street)	c	ity / County o	f Residence		State		ZIP Code
Patient Clinic ID							
Section 2. Physician Information							
Physician Last Name	Fi	irst Name					
Street Address (number and street)	<u>c</u>	ity / County o	f Residence		State		ZIP Code
Section 3. Specimen Information							
Sample type (CHECK ONE) Specim	nen	Isolate					
Specimen Source:  Sputum Bronchial Othe	er specimen so	ource list here	)				
Date of Collection//	Ti	me of Collect	ion				
Anti-Mycobacterial Therapy: None	□ISO	□ЕТН	☐ STR	□RIF	□ PZA	☐ Other	
List other drug therapy here					-		
Section 4. Submitter Information							
Provider Code:			Staff ID_				
Submitting Organization				Staff Name			
Telephone	Fax				-mail		
Address (number and street)							
Additional address							
City	Si	tate		<u></u>	P Code		
Submitter comments							

## Section 5. Collection and Submission Instructions

- A. Complete the request form. TYPE or PRINT legibly with black ink.
- 1. For Submission of Clinical Specimens use the ISDH Container No. 6A Tuberculosis
- 2. WRITE THE PATIENT NAME AND COLLECTION DATE ON THE REQUEST FORM, SPECIMEN TUBES, AND CULTURES.
- 3. WITHOUT THIS INFORMATION THE SPECIMEN WILL NOT BE TESTED.

## **Section 6. Specimen Collection**

- 1. Collect sputum early in the morning <u>BEFORE</u> the patient eats or drinks.

  It should be raised from the lungs, not saliva, and deposited directly into the furnished plastic specimen container before shipment.
- After collection, tighten the specimen tube cap to avoid breakage and leakage.
   Label clearly on the outside of specimen container with the patient name and collection date.
   Place the specimen containing tube in the white-plastic screw-cap container and tighten the cap securely.

#### IF THE SPECIMEN CANNOT BE PACKAGED AND SHIPPED IMMEDIATELY, STORE REFRIGERATED AT OR NEAR 4°C.

3. After completing the patient request form, fold and then wrap the form around the white plastic container. Insert both together into the outer cardboard mailer and forward to the laboratory promptly.

NOTE: If gastric washings are to be submitted, you must neutralize the washings to about pH 7 within 30 minutes after collection or the organisms will die.

### Section 7. Submission of Cultures

- 1. Submit a pure culture on a tubed slant of mycobacterial culture medium, preferably Lowenstein Jensen.
- 2. Pack the culture tube to prevent breakage and to conform to USPS and D.O.T. regulations for "Category A, Biological Substances".
- 3. Wrap the culture tube in absorbent material, place it in the inner mailing container and tighten the cap securely.

  The completed request form may be wrapped around the inner container and both enclosed securely in an outer shipping container.

DO NOT send or deliver cultures grown on Petri plates; they will not be accepted.

4. Address and affix a mailing label to assure prompt delivery to the laboratory.

# **Section 8. Test Service Information**

1. All samples received with completed paperwork are tested. If there is a problem with your submission you will be promptly notified by telephone, mail or both.

#### SPECIMENS WITHOUT A PATIENT NAME OR ID WILL BE CONSIDERED UNSATISFACTORY AND WILL NOT BE TESTED.

- 2. Drug susceptibly testing procedures is performed on M. tuberculosis only.
- 3. Bactec 460 S.I.R.E testing requires approximately 1 week to complete.

  (This procedure is automatically performed for new patients and on patients who remain culture positive after 3 months of treatment.)