**HOTLINE: Effective May 18, 2020**

**0060241**  
*Chlamydia trachomatis* and *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* by Transcription-Mediated Amplification (TMA)

**Specimen Required:**  
**Patient Prep:** MultiTest Swab: Patient must be 14 years of age or older.  
**Collect:** Vaginal, throat, or rectal specimen collected with pink swab from Aptima MultiTest Swab Specimen Collection kit (ARUP supply #55224 PK/50 or #55229 PK/10) available online through eSupply using ARUP Connect™ or contact ARUP Client Services at (800) 522-2787.  
**Also acceptable:** Cervical, eye or male urethral specimen collected with blue swab from Aptima Unisex Swab Specimen Collection kit (ARUP supply #28907 PK/50 or #54555 PK/10) or first catch urine in a sterile container. Refer to “Sample Collection for the Diagnosis of STD” under Specimen Handling at www.aruplab.com for specific specimen collection and transport instructions.  
**Specimen Preparation:** Swab: Place swab in Swab Specimen Transport Tube, break shaft off at scoreline then recap tube.  
**Urine:** Transfer 2 mL urine within 24 hours to an Aptima Urine Specimen Transport Tube (ARUP supply #28908 PK/50 or #54556 PK/10). Liquid level must be between fill lines on tube.  
**Storage/Transport Temperature:** Refrigerated.  
**Remarks:** Specimen source is required.  
**Unacceptable Conditions:** Large white swab included in Aptima Unisex Swab Specimen Collection kit is for preparatory cleaning of the endocervix and is unacceptable for testing. Specimens in any transport media other than indicated above. Specimens in swab transport media without a swab.  
**Stability (collection to initiation of testing):** *MultiTest Swab or Unisex Swab:* Ambient: 2 months; Refrigerated: 2 months; Frozen: 1 year  
**Aptima Urine Specimen Transport Tube:** Ambient: 1 month; Refrigerated: 1 month; Frozen: 3 months