

IU Health Laboratory Services

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24 Hour Urine Collection Information Guidelines

General Labelling Information:

To ensure accurate completion of timed urine tests, the lab must have all information included with each sample.

- 1. Start date and time
- 2. Stop date and time
- 3. Total volume

Urine Random Collections:

The lab has urine random tests that are ordered in place of timed urine tests. Please complete the following steps to indicate a urine random test,

- 1. Type "random collection" in the Cerner order comments section
- 2. Write "RANDOM" on the collection tube or container

Laboratory Guidelines:

Please ensure the following guidelines are met prior to the transport of each urine sample to the laboratory.

- 1. The following information must be documented in *Order Result Viewer* (under *Order Comment*). See figure 1.
 - Start date and time
 - Stop date and time
 - Total volume



2. If Cerner access is unavailable, document the above information on the aliquot container that has been poured off from original time urine specimen. See Figure 2 for example

of a correctly labelled aliquoted container

 Include two patient identifiers (first name, last name, MRN, or DOB) and the test labels.

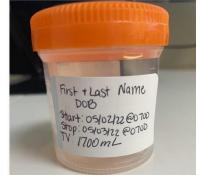


Figure 2



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- 3. Record the start date and time, stop date and time and total volume on the 24-hour urine log sheet that is kept at the originating lab. See figure 3 for example of an a blank 24-hour urine log sheet.
 - This ensures all information has been documented in case collection information isn't included with the sample.
 - Log sheet should be stored in an easily accessible location

Mark 24Hr Con		rine Log Sheet With Black Sharpie	
	ion In Accession Or (Label Here)		
	et In Daily File Fold	er At End Of Shift	
Label Here	TV:	Label Here	TV:
	Start:		
	Stop:		Start: Stop:
Label Here			
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Employee Na	ime:		
D	rate:		

Figure 3

Physician Guidelines:

If the sending facility is unable to aliquot the urine from the collection jugs, please ensure a 24-hour urine label is affixed to the urine jug with the following information.

- 1. Start date and time
- 2. Stop date and time
- 3. Total volume

If a label cannot be obtained, please legibly write the information directly onto the jug. Below are examples of how a jug could be labelled without a proper 24-hour urine label.





