Radiological Agents: CDC Specimen Collection Protocol for a Radiological Incident

See "Radiological Agents: CDC Shipping Instructions for Specimens Collected from People with Potential Contamination to Radiological Materials" for detailed information. http://emergency.cdc.gov/labissues/index.asp

Collect 40 to 60 mL of urine for each person in a screw-cap urine cup. Use the following steps below.



1. Wash hands with soap and water.



 $\label{eq:loss_constraint} \textbf{2. Collect } 40 \text{ to } 60 \text{ mL of urine} \\ \text{ in a screw- cap urine cup.}$



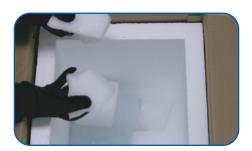
3. Deliver specimen to clinic personnel.



4. Label the urine cup with the appropriate bar-coded label, indicating the method of collection if other than "clean catch."



5. Place bar-coded label on all cups so that when upright, the barcode looks like a ladder.



6. Freeze samples (optimally at -70° C or use dry ice).

Questions concerning this process should be directed to:

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