

## Panther Fusion® Vaginal-Rectal Swab Collection

## Clinician collection procedure guide

## Collection for vaginal-rectal swab specimens<sup>1</sup>



Remove swab(s) from packaging. Insert swab 2cm into vagina, (front passage). Do not touch cotton end with fingers. Move swab from side to side, or rotate the swab at the collection site, allowing several seconds for absorption of organisms by the swab.

## Swab specimen collection guide for:

• Panther Fusion® GBS Assay



Insert the same swab 1 cm into anus, (back passage). Move swab from side to side, or rotate the swab at the collection site, allowing several seconds for absorption of organisms by the swab. Either the same or a second swab can be used for collection.



<u>OR</u>



While holding the swab in hand, remove the cap form the sterile tube. Do not allow the swab to touch anything else. Immediately place the swab specimen into a non-nutritive media (Liquid Stuart's or Amies **without** charcoal) collection tube. Ensure cap fits firmly and is secured to the tube.



Tightly screw the cap onto the tube. Use label to provide a unique identification for the specimen. After collection, swabs can be stored at 15°C to 30°C for up to 48 hours.<sup>2</sup>

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