

MUMPS SPECIMEN COLLECTION

LDH OPH Laboratory Specimen Collection and Shipping Guidelines for Mumps Testing

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Mumps PCR

With a synthetic swab, collect buccal sample as soon as mumps disease is suspected.

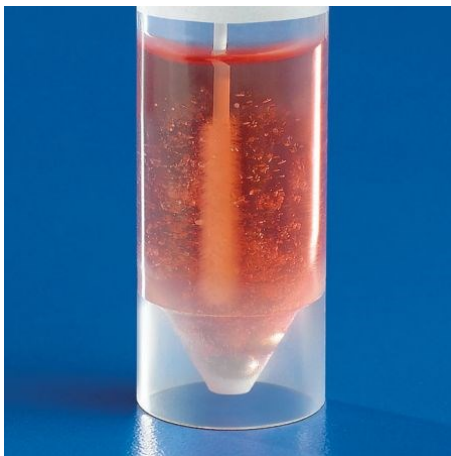
Place swab in viral transport media tube. Leave swab in viral transport tube. Check media expiration.

Label specimen with Patient Name and Medical Record Number.

Complete **Lab Form 96**.

Specimens delivered to the laboratory within 24 hours from collection, keep specimen refrigerated.

Specimens delivered > 24 hours from collection, freeze sample and document freeze date and time on the Lab Form 96.



Mumps Serology

For serum, draw blood in a tiger top or SST tube. Follow manufacturer instructions for clot and centrifuge times. Check tube expiration.

Do not ship blood samples unspun.

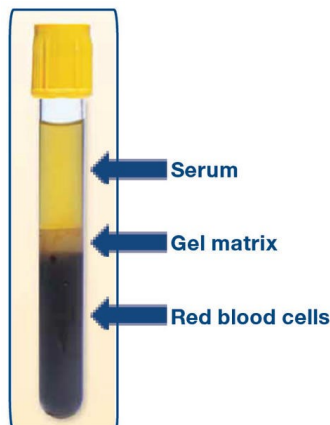
Label specimen with Patient Name and Medical Record Number.

Using only patient initials, complete **CDC Specimen Submission Form**.

Email CDC Specimen Submission Form to oph.publichealthlab@la.gov

Print a copy of the CDC Specimen Submission Form with patient's full name.

Keep specimen refrigerated.



**MUST HAVE APPROVAL
FROM ID EPI
PRIOR TO SHIPMENT.
800-256-2748
(24 hr Number)**

**MUST HAVE SECURE
FAX FORM ON FILE
BEFORE REPORT
RELEASE**

Shipping

Place samples in an insulated container and ship Category B with Lab Form 96 and/or CDC Specimen submission Form.

For PCR samples, document date and time specimen removed from freezer.

Same day delivery: Ship with frozen ice packs.

Overnight delivery: Ship on dry ice.

Ship to: LDH OPH Lab—Molecular/Virology
1209 Leesville Avenue
Baton Rouge, LA 70802
225-219-5263

On left—Viral Transport with swab. On right—spun blood sample