

## Wyoming Public Health Laboratory

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### GS HIV Combo Ag/Ab EIA COLLECTION PROTOCOL

#### **Specimen Collection:**

FDA has approved this test for use with serum and plasma specimens only.

Submit two (2) 10 mL serum separator tubes (SST) of serum which have been spun via centrifugation, then ship specimens within 24 hours. The specimens must be received at the laboratory within 2 days if shipped at room temperature, or within 7 days if shipped at 2-8°C (include cold pack). Specimens that exceed the shipment guidelines will be rejected for testing.

Complete the entire WPHL test request form. Label tubes clearly with patient name.

#### **Specimen Shipment:**

**If using WPHL mailing canisters**, place the specimen in the biohazard bag with absorbent paper and insert the completed WPHL test request form into the outside pocket of the bag. Then place into the inner aluminum container and insert this into the cardboard mailing container.

**If using other approved shipping containers**, place the specimen in the biohazard bag with absorbent paper and insert the completed WPHL test request form into the outside pocket of the bag. Then place into the shipping container.

**If using the courier or the WPHL provided containers**, place the specimen in the biohazard bag with absorbent paper and insert the completed WPHL test request form into the outside pocket of the bag. Include a cold pack in the container. Place the biohazard bag so that the specimen has contact with the cold pack.

- Refer to the WPHL web site for information on all forms and testing protocols.  
<http://www.health.wyo.gov/phsd/lab/index.html>
- Use the proper amount of postage on the mailers. All postage due mailers will be returned to you unopened.

Submit Samples To:  
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