## Nasopharyngeal Specimen Collection

Open the package that contains the swab and transport medium tube. Set the tube aside before collecting the specimen.



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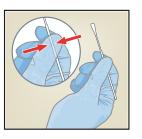
Open the swab wrapper and remove the swab, taking care not to touch the tip of the swab to any surface.

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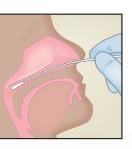
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Hold the swab in your hand, pinching in the middle of the swab shaft on the scoreline.



Gently insert the swab into the nostril until you touch the posterior nasopharynx.

Rotate swab several times.



Remove the cap from the tube. Insert the swab into the transport medium.

Break the swab shaft against the side of the tube at the scoreline.

Avoid splashing contents on the skin. Wash with soap and water if exposed.

Replace the cap on the tube and close tightly.



