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Newly Verified Aptima® *Trichomonas vaginalis* Assay for Clinician-Collected Endocervical and Vaginal, Patient-Collect Vaginal, and Urine TMA Samples to the Allegheny County Public Health Laboratory

The Allegheny County Public Health Laboratory is now verified for *Trichomonas vaginalis* testing using the Aptima® *Trichomonas vaginalis* TMA assay on clinician-collected endocervical and vaginal swabs, patient-collect vaginal swabs, and urine specimens (NAAT). Before verifying the Aptima® *Trichomonas vaginalis*, *T. vaginalis* was assayed via culture for vaginal swabs only. The clinician collected endocervical specimens may be collected with the Aptima® Unisex Swab Specimen Collection Kit (Hologic Inc, Cat. No. 301041). Both clinician-collected and patient-collected vaginal specimens may be collected with the Aptima® Multitest Swab Specimen Collection Kit (Hologic, Inc., Cat No. PRD-03546). Male and female urine specimens may be collected with the Aptima® Urine Specimen Collection kit for male and female urine specimens (Hologic Inc, Cat. No. 301040).

Culture assays for *T. vaginalis* specimens will still be available for patient testing at the Allegheny County Public Health Laboratory.

Please see the following links for sample collection guidelines for all *T. vaginalis* TMA sample sources:

https://hologicwomenshealth.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/Aptima-Unisex-Swab-Specimen-Collection-Guide.pdf





https://hologicwomenshealth.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/Aptima-Multitest-Patient-Vaginal-Collection-Guide.pdf

https://hologicwomenshealth.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/Aptima-Urine-Collection-Guide.pdf

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