# INFECTION CONTROL TESTS

**Blood / Respiratory / Enteric**

To order consumables please go to www.sapathology.sa.gov.au and click on Supplies/Ordering.

Also available Urine/Genital/Skin Test Guide, PUB-0073.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>TEST</th>
<th>COLLECT WITH</th>
<th>WHAT TO COLLECT</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>BLOOD</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
| Blood Culture (BACTEC)  
Paediatric & myco/F also available | Aerobic (blue) & Anaerobic (purple) | 8-10ml/blood per bottle  
DO NOT use expired bottles  
Store and transport at room temperature |
| Viral Antibody Screens, Serology | White - GEL (Serum-fast clotting) | |
| Blood borne viral PCR/NAT*  
HIV, HBV, HCV Viral Loads | Purple/Yellow - EDTA+Gel | Dedicated tube for each virus |
| PCR/NAT*  
Other viruses and bacteria | Purple - EDTA | Dedicated tube |
| **RESPIRATORY** | | |
| Sputum  
Micro, Culture & Sensitivity (MC&S)  
Fungal culture, TB  
Viral PCR/NAT* | Yellow top | Note: For respiratory viruses, preferred samples are deep nasal swab or nasopharyngeal aspirate (NPA) or sputum  
NOT suitable for bacterial culture |
| Respiratory viral, Mycoplasma pneumoniae and Pertussis  
PCR/NAT* | Viral Transport Media swab | |
| **ENTERIC** | | |
| Micro, Culture & Sensitivity (MC&S)  
PCR/NAT*  
Viruses, Clostridium difficile toxin  
Ova, Cysts and Parasites, Bacteria | Brown top | Stool collection  
Store specimen at 4°C prior to transport |

*Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR), Nucleic Acid Testing (NAT).