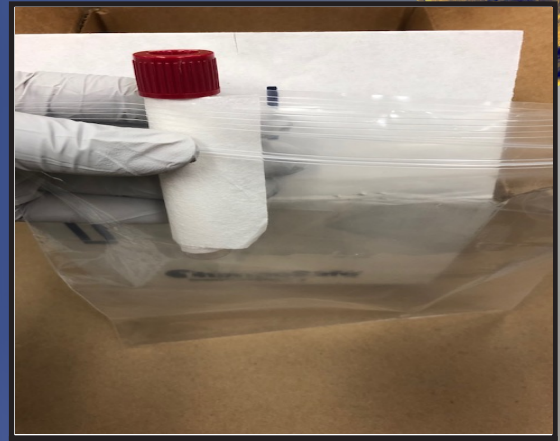


# COVID-19 SPECIMEN PACKAGING INSTRUCTIONS

## COLLECTION KIT CONTENTS:

- 1 - Nasopharyngeal swab
- 1 - Vial of viral or universal transport medium
- 1 - Ice pack (MUST be frozen before shipment)
- 1 - Absorbent sheet
- 2 - Ziploc bags (1 for specimen & 1 for BCL requisition form)
- 1 - UPS shipment label (To be placed on box only if shipping via UPS. Otherwise, include the shipper's & recipient's addresses on the box & return UPS label inside box to the BCL.)
- 1 - UN3373 Category B label (MUST be placed on the box before shipment)



1. Wrap an absorbent sheet around the specimen labeled with a unique patient identifier & place into the Ziploc bag. Multiple specimens from the same patient may be shipped in the same bag.



2. Place the **frozen** ice packs on top of the specimen(s) inside the cooler. Place the BCL's requisition form in the 2nd Ziploc bag and then into the box.



3. Place the pre-addressed shipping label and the UN3373 Category B label on the outside of the box.