

OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
NURSING PRACTICE PROTOCOLS
INFLUENZA A and B/STREPTOCOCCUS/COVID-19/TB TESTING

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Covid-19 testing for Discharges, Commutations, Parole as required by the State Health Department or per Hospital/Outside Specialist Requirement does not require a health care provider order.

Health Care Provider: _____

Test Performed:

- Influenza A & B Rapid Test Streptococcus Rapid Test
 Covid-19 Profile TB Swab/Sputum

Materials:

- Sterile Dacron/nylon swab
Viral transport medium tube (should contain 1-3ml of sterile viral transport medium)
Plastic cup/tube

Safety:

1. Observe universal (standard) safety precautions. Observe all applicable isolation procedures.
2. Wash hands in warm, running water with hand washing product (approved by the Infection Control Committee) before and after each patient collection.
3. Gloves are to be worn during procedure and changed between patient collections.
4. Gloves are to be discarded in the appropriate container immediately after the procedure. All other items used for the procedure must be disposed of according to proper biohazardous waste disposal policy.

Procedure:

- Inmate identified and procedure explained
 Paperwork filled out in accordance with guidelines.
 Hands washed/sanitized and gloves applied

Method: (select appropriate method)

<input type="checkbox"/> Nasopharyngeal Swab	<input type="checkbox"/> Throat Swab/Culture	<input type="checkbox"/> TB Sputum
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Tilt patients head back 70 degrees. 2. Insert swab into nostril. (Swab should reach depth equal to distance from nostrils to outer opening of the ear). Leave swab in place for several seconds to absorb secretions. 3. Slowly remove swab while rotating it. (Swab both nostrils with same swab). 4. Place tip of swab into sterile viral transport media tube and snap/cut off the applicator stick. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Gently hold down the patients tongue with a depressor. 2. Rub the swab over both tonsils as well as the back wall of the mouth (the posterior pharynx). 3. Be careful not to touch the tongue, uvula, or lips due to possible contamination. 4. Place tip of swab into sterile viral transport media tube and snap/cut off the applicator stick. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cup is very clean. Do not open until you are ready to use it. 2. Make sure you are collecting sputum and not saliva. 3. Take a very deep breath and fill your lungs with air. Hold the air for 5 seconds then breath out slowly. Do this 3 times in a row and at the end of the 3rd breath cough hard until some sputum comes up into your mouth. 4. Cough up sputum until you get 5ml or a teaspoon full of sputum.

- Cap secured tightly so it does not leak.
 Specimen labeled and placed in refrigerator until transport.
 Testing Laboratory: State Public Health Laboratory Clinical Pathology Laboratory
 Other: _____
 Inmate tolerated procedure, voiced no concerns.
 Education/Intervention: Instructed patient to follow-up sick call if experiencing any signs and symptoms that warrant treatment. Inmate verbalizes understanding of instructions.

Progress Note: _____

RN/LPN/CMA Signature/Credentials: _____ **Date:** _____ **Time:** _____

Inmate Name
(Last, First)

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