Nasopharyngeal and Mid turbinate Collection Instructions



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Gently rub and roll the swab for 5-10 seconds. Leave in place for several seconds to absorb secretions. Slowly remove swab while rotating it. Repeat in other nostril using same swab if possible.



Rotate the swab several times against nasal wall and then hold in place for 5 seconds. Repeat in other nostril using same swab if possible. If <2 year old swabs are not available, use the >2 year old swabs by inserting the flocked part of the swab into the infant/ toddler nose.





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