

Buccal Brush Instructions

Contents:

- CCHMC Specimen Transport Bag
- Buccal Cell Collection Instructions
- 2 ea buccal brushes in sealed plastic cases
- 1 ea self-adhesive envelope

Note: Order test, print requisition and patient labels

Cell Collection Instructions:

1. Take a brush out of the container and swab the left gutter region (located between the upper gum line and the upper cheek mucosa-see picture below) by going back and forth 15-20 times.
2. Repeat step 1 for the right side using a new brush.
3. Label each brush handle with a patient label containing the patient's name and date of birth.
4. Place both collected brushes in the provided self-adhesive envelope* and seal it.

***Note: Do not replace the brushes in their original container. Place the brushes directly in the envelope only.**

5. Place another label with the patient's name and date of birth on the outside of the envelope.
6. Place envelope containing the brushes and the completed requisition in the plastic specimen bag.
7. Ensure that the samples are sent to the Molecular Genetics Lab within 24 hours and are kept at room temperature.

If you have any questions or wish to schedule a pick-up, please contact the Molecular Genetics Lab at (513) 636-3477.

