

SELF-COLLECTED INSTRUCTIONS:

Vaginal Self-Collected Specimens for HPV Testing

Frequently Asked Questions

Self-collected vaginal specimens are now accepted for select HPV testing.

Q Which Interpath Laboratory test accepts self-collected specimens?

- A** The only approved test for self-collected specimens is (HPV SELF-COLLECT #5290)
- **Human Papillomavirus (HPV), High Risk with 16 , 18, and OTHER Genotype**
- No other HPV screening tests currently accept self-collected specimens.

Q Which Interpath Laboratory supply item should be used?

A Use the **Vaginal Self-Collection Kit**

The kit includes:

- FLOQSwab collection swab
- ThinPrep vial
- Collection instructions available on our website: www.InterpathLab.com/hpv-collection-instructions/

The kit may be ordered:

- Online through eSupply: Item #109455 esupply.interpathlab.com

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Q Where and how must specimens be collected?

- A**
- Collection must occur in a clinical setting (not at home)
 - A healthcare professional must immediately place the swab into the ThinPrep media after collection

Q Can self-collected specimens be used for reflex cytology (Pap testing)?

- A** No. Self-collected vaginal specimens cannot be reflexed to cytology. Cytology testing requires cervical cells, which are not obtained from vaginal self-collection.