



# Specimens for COVID-19 (and Influenza testing):

Swab specimens for hospitalized (inpatient), Emergency, and residential care patients for COVID-19 and Influenza testing

• Submit one specimen for both tests

To test:	Use
Babies ≤700g *swabs provided to NICU and Labor & Delivery only	Copan Ultra mini tip swabs 516CS01
Babies > 700g up to Children <6 years	Copan Mini tip Swab 501CS01  BD red top 220531
Children ≥6 years up and adults	Yocon 1065213 NP swabs

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#### **COVID-19 PANDEMIC RESPONSE**





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Outpatients: Only COVID-19 testing performed		
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School age children (Kindergarten to Grade 12)	Saline gargle kit Note: <u>Cannot</u> test Influenza on this specimen type	
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