COVID-19 SPECIMEN PACKAGING INSTRUCTIONS

COLLECTION KIT CONTENTS:

• 1 - Nasopharyngeal swab
• 1 - Vial of viral or universal transport medium
• 1 - Ice pack (MUST be frozen before shipment)
• 1 - Absorbent sheet
• 2 - Ziploc bags (1 for specimen & 1 for BCL requisition form)
• 1 - Prelabeled shipment label (MUST be placed on box before shipment)
• 1 - UN3373 Category B label (MUST be placed on the box before shipment)

1. Wrap an absorbent sheet around the specimen and place into the Ziploc bag. Multiple specimens from the same patient may be shipped in the same bag.

2. Place the frozen ice packs on top of the specimen(s) inside the cooler. Place the BCL’s requisition form in the 2nd Ziploc bag and then into the box.

3. Place the pre-addressed shipping label and the UN3373 Category B label on the outside of the box.

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