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| Isolate       | NA              | NA                   | NA                    | Growth media (HIA, BHI or blood agar) | • Transport device: Screw-cap tube.  
• Rejection Criteria:  
  o Duplicate specimens (specimens from the same patient and same source submitted on same collection day).  
  o Broken transport device.  
  o Leaking specimen.  
• Transport: Ship at ambient temperature.  
  Ship as Category B.  
• Storage: Store at 4 – 8°C. |
General Rejection Criteria (for additional details, see S&H)

- Failure to follow specific S&H requirements.

**NOTE:**
Specimens will not be processed until ALL of the following information are provided on requisition form:

- Patient name, patient's county of residence, and second identifier.
- Two matching identifiers on both the tube and the laboratory requisition form.
- Specimen type, date of collection, and test requested.
- Submitter name, address, and telephone/FAX numbers.
- Reason for testing at WAPHL.

Collection kit availability

Not available

Comments

- All media should have parafilm or tape around the cap to insure that the specimen does not leak.