

Multi-Shipper with Cold Pack Hepatitis A



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Supplies Needed for Collection and Packaging

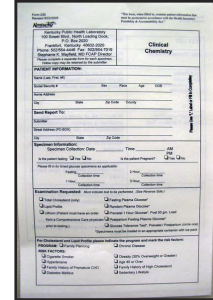


Serum Separator or
Red-Top Tube



Multishipper with
Cold Pack

Contents: Tube Shuttle, 95kPa
Bag with absorbent, Cold
Packs, Styrofoam Cooler
and Outer Cardboard Box.



Outreach - Test Code HAV
or Lab Form

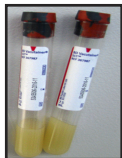
Collection of Specimen

- 1) Check expiration date of Serum Separator Tubes (SST) or Red Top Tubes before collection.
- 2) Using safe phlebotomy practices, draw patient blood specimen into Serum Separator Tube (SST) or Red Top Tube.
- 3) After blood collection gently invert SST or Red Top tube 5 times. Allow blood to clot for a minimum of 30 minutes before centrifuging.*
-Do not centrifuge red top tube if not aliquoting off serum.
-SST requires centrifugation within two hours of collection.
- 4) Store specimens at 2-8°C, ship on cold pack overnight.
- 5) Serum that has been aliquoted to a cryovial, frozen at -70°C (or -20°C if not available) for longer storage.

Note: A minimum of 1.5mL of serum is needed for Hepatitis A testing.

*Reference - BD Vacutainer and Vacuette Evacuated Blood Collection System Package Inserts

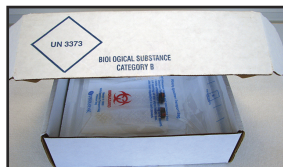
Packaging and Shipping



Collect Specimens



Place specimen in
tube shuttle, put in
95kPa bag and seal



Place specimen bag on
top of frozen cold pack
and replace styrofoam lid



Place Outreach/
Lab Form 275
on top of closed
styrofoam box

Send FedEx Priority Overnight



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Refer to 49CFR 173.199 for current regulations on packaging and shipping of Category B infectious substances

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