Collecting and Transporting Your Urine Specimen

The urine contains a wealth of bio-chemical information. It is your metabolic diary. All bid-chemical processes of your body leave residues that eventually find their way to the urine. Thus, the urine specimen is ideal for measuring and monitoring your metabolic health.

Diet Instructions

For my lab to obtain the clearest information from your urine specimen, follow these diet instructions for <u>3 full days prior to catching the urine specimen:</u>

No nutritional supplements, unless prescribed by a physician.

No gum, breath mints, and candy.

No eating your known allergenic foods.

No artificial food colorings.

No artificial sweeteners, sweets of all kinds, and sugar.

No alcohol, coffee, black tea, and sodas.

No laxatives & bulking agents, unless prescribed by a physician.

No salt.

No beets, carrots, and berries.

No processed, adulterated, or junk foods. Only natural foods!!

Eat meat or fish at two meals per day during these 3 days.

Drink a minimum of 6 glasses of water daily.

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Use the specimen cup provided by our office.

Catch only first morning's voiding (after 3:00a.m.), the day of your appointment.

Wait until mid-stream to catch the sample.

Fill specimen cup to 1/2 full. Place the preservative pellet in the sample to prevent spoiling.

Screw cap firmly in place to avoid leakage. Place in a baggie for protection.

Do not refrigerate the specimen.

Keep specimen at room temperature.