



## **MALE URETHRAL SWAB SPECIMEN COLLECTION**

1. Obtain viral Chlamydia transport media.
2. The patient should not have urinated for at least 1 hour prior to sample collection.
3. Insert the specimen collection swab (blue shaft) 2 to 4 cm into the urethra.
4. Gently rotate the swab clockwise for 2 to 3 seconds in the urethra to ensure adequate sampling.
5. Withdraw the swab carefully.
6. Remove the cap from the swab specimen transport tube and immediately place the specimen collection swab into the transport tube.
7. Carefully break the swab shaft at the scoreline. Use care to avoid splashing of contents.
8. Re-cap the swab specimen transport tube tightly.