INSTRUCTIONS FOR COLLECTION OF A PEDIATRIC URINE SPECIMEN
PATIENT INSTRUCTIONS

For children who are too young to collect a urine specimen, pediatric urine specimen collection bags with skin adhesive will be utilized following the procedure below:

1. You will be given two individually packaged sterile pediatric urine collector bags, a sterile urine specimen container and two (2) castile soap towelettes. Additional collector bags are available upon request.

2. Females:
   a. Cleanse the vulva well with presaturated towelettes, using each only once.
   b. With the first towelette wipe the labia minora (inner fold) using a single downward stroke. Discard the towelette.
   c. With the second towelette, cleanse meatus (center area) with a single downward stroke. Discard the towelette. Avoid contamination from rectal area.
   d. Prior to applying the collection bag, ensure the area is completely dry.
   e. Apply/adhere the collection bag to the perineum starting at the part between the anus and vagina for female infants.

3. Males:
   a. Cleanse penis with presaturated towelettes, working from meatus outward.
   b. If patient is uncircumcised, keep the foreskin retracted.
   c. Prior to applying the collection bag, ensure the area is completely dry.
   d. Apply/Adhere the collection bag over the penis and scrotum for male infants.

4. Remove the bag to prevent skin irritation as soon as a urine specimen is available or within 30 minutes, if no specimen is collected.

5. Follow steps 2 – 4 if a new collection bag is to be applied.

6. Place the entire collector bag(s) in the sterile urine container and place the lid onto the container, avoiding hand contact with the sterile side of the lid.

7. Place the specimen into the “specimen window” designated in the restroom or return specimen to the laboratory immediately. If delivery is delayed for more than 2 hours, refrigerate the specimen until it can be returned to laboratory.