



**BEFORE SENDING BLOOD CULTURE**

**BEDSIDE RN**

1. PATIENT MEETS SEPSIS CRITERIA  
 **Yes**, PROCEED WITH SEPSIS BUNDLE  
 **No**, PROCEED WITH TICKET

**BEDSIDE RN**

2.  **ENSURE** CRITERIA MET

**BEDSIDE RN**

3.  **PRESENT** TO UNIT NURSING SUPERVISOR  
 ✓ CHARGE  
 ✓ MANAGER  
 ✓ DIRECTOR

**NURSING LEADER**

4.  **VALIDATE** AND SIGN BEFORE SENDING TO LAB

**LAB**

5.  **VALIDATE** AND SIGN BEFORE PROCESSING

**Patient Label**

**NURSING/PHLEBOTOMIST**

DATE & TIME OF COLLECTION

DATE:

TIME:

CRITERIA MET

**FOR BLOOD CULTURE COLLECTION:**

PLEASE CHECK EACH ITEM PRIOR TO SENDING SPECIMEN

- DRAW** EACH SET OF BLOOD CULTURES FROM **SEPARATE PERIPHERAL VENIPUNCTURES**. DO NOT COLLECT BLOOD CULTURE THROUGH FRESH IV START.
- COMPLETE** A METICULOUS SKIN PREPARATION PRIOR TO VENIPUNCTURE.
- CLEAN** THE TOP OF EACH CULTURE BOTTLE WITH ALCOHOL OR CHG; AVOID TOUCHING THE TOP OF THE CULTURE BOTTLE AFTER CLEANING.
- COLLECT 1ML WASTE** TUBE PRIOR TO FILLING EACH BLOOD CULTURE SET.
- FILL** EACH BLOOD CULTURE BOTTLE WITH AT LEAST 8 MLs OF BLOOD TO PREVENT FALSE NEGATIVE BLOOD CULTURES.
- LABEL** SPECIMENS AT THE BEDSIDE WITH DATE, TIME, AND SEQUENCE #1 OR # 2, SITE, COLLECTOR 3-4ID (PLEASE WRITE LEGIBLY,). PLACE BOTTLES IN BIOHAZARD SPECIMEN BAG FOR TRANSPORT TO LAB.

SIGNATURES

SPECIMEN SUBMITTED BY (NAME & 3-4ID): \_\_\_\_\_  
 RN LEADER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
 RN PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

**THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PRIMARY RN AND SUPERVISOR TO CONFIRM ALL CRITERIA ARE MET**

**LAB**

DATE & TIME OF COLLECTION

DATE:

TIME:

SIGNATURES

IF THE SPECIMEN ARRIVES TO THE LAB WITHOUT NAME/DATE/TIME DOCUMENTED, THE LAB PERSONNEL WILL CONTACT THE ORDERING NURSING UNIT TO OBTAIN MISSING INFORMATION.

SPECIMEN RECEIVED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

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- ✓ SUPERVISOR
- ✓ LABORATORY TECHNOLOGIST TO CONFIRM CRITERIA HAS BEEN MET

**SIGNATURE REQUIRED**



**BEFORE SENDING STOOL SPECIMEN**

1. **BEDSIDE RN**  
 **ENSURE** CRITERIA MET
2. **BEDSIDE RN**  
 **PRESENT** TO UNIT NURSING SUPERVISOR  
✓ CHARGE  
✓ MANAGER  
✓ DIRECTOR
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Patient Label

**NURSING**

DATE & TIME OF COLLECTION	DATE: _____	TIME: _____																				
CRITERIA MET (MUST MEET ALL)	<p><b>FOR C.DIFF TESTING:</b> PLEASE CHECK EACH ITEM PRIOR TO SENDING SPECIMEN</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>CONFIRM</b> PATIENT HAS BEEN PLACED ON <b>CONTACT PLUS PRECAUTIONS</b>.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>CONFIRM</b> ANY SYMPTOMS PRESENT TEMP (&gt;100.4°), INCREASING WBC, ABDOMINAL PAIN, CRAMPING, NAUSEA, VOMITING</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>CONFIRM</b> STOOL SPECIMEN IS LIQUID AND ASSUMES SHAPE OF THE CONTAINER. <b>SEE BRISTOL SCORE 6-7.</b></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>CONFIRM</b> PATIENT HAS HAD &gt;3 LOOSE STOOLS IN THE LAST 24 HOURS.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>CONFIRM</b> PATIENT HAS NOT RECEIVED ANYTHING IN THE LAST 72 HOURS TO PROMOTE DIARRHEA (LAXATIVES, SUPPOSITORIES, BOWEL PREP, OR TUBE FEEDINGS). <b>ORDER MUST BE ESCALATED AND APPROVED PRIOR TO TESTING.</b> DO NOT HOLD TUBE FEEDS.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>CONFIRM</b> C.DIFF TEST IS NOT A REPEAT WITHIN THE LAST 7 DAYS (TEST OF CURE).</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>PLACE</b> CUP IN BIOHAZARD SPECIMEN BAG FOR TRANSPORT TO LAB.</li> </ul>																					
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<b>LAB (LAB WILL REJECT SPECIMENS THAT DO NOT MEET CRITERIA)</b>		
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CRITERIA MET	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>CONFIRM</b> STOOL SPECIMEN IS LIQUID AND ASSUMES THE SHAPE OF THE CONTAINER. <b>SEE BRISTOL SCORE 6-7.</b>	
SIGNATURES	SPECIMEN RECEIVED BY: _____	
THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED BY: ✓ PRIMARY NURSE ✓ SUPERVISOR ✓ LABORATORY TECHNOLOGIST TO CONFIRM CRITERIA HAS BEEN MEET	<h2 style="margin: 0;">SIGNATURE REQUIRED</h2> <p style="font-size: small; margin: 0;">IF THE STOOL CULTURE COLLECTION CRITERIA IS NOT MET AND THE ORDERING PROVIDER STILL REQUESTS THE TEST TO BE RUN, PLEASE REFER THEM TO CMO OR CNO FOR CLINICAL APPROVAL PRIOR TO PERFORMING LABORATORY TEST.</p>	



**BEFORE SENDING URINE CULTURE**

1. **BEDSIDE RN**  
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2. **BEDSIDE RN**  
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Patient Label

**NURSING**

<b>DATE &amp; TIME OF COLLECTION</b>	DATE: _____	TIME: _____
<b>CRITERIA MET</b>	<p><b>FOR URINE CULTURE COLLECTION:</b></p> <p>PLEASE CHECK EACH ITEM PRIOR TO SENDING SPECIMEN</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>CONFIRM</b> IF A FOLEY CATHETER HAS BEEN IN PLACE FOR &gt;3 DAYS, (IF &gt;3 DAYS, THE INDWELLING CATHETER SYSTEM MUST BE CHANGED PRIOR TO COLLECTING THE URINE SPECIMEN, UNLESS CONTRAINDICATED).</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>ENSURE</b> ORDER FOR UA WITH REFLEX TO URINE CULTURE.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>USE</b> URINE COLLECTION VACUTAINER TUBE WITH PRESERVATIVE FOR URINE CULTURE COLLECTION.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>LABEL</b> SPECIMEN TUBES AT THE PATIENT BEDSIDE. INCLUDE COLLECTOR 3-4ID, DATE, AND TIME. PLEASE WRITE LEGIBLY.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>PLACE</b> TUBE IN BIOHAZARD SPECIMEN BAG FOR TRANSPORT TO LAB.</li> </ul>	
<b>SIGNATURES</b>	SPECIMEN SUBMITTED BY (NAME & 3-4ID): _____ RN LEADER NAME: _____ RN PHONE #: _____ <p style="background-color: yellow; font-size: small;">THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PRIMARY RN AND SUPERVISOR TO CONFIRM ALL CRITERIA ARE MET.</p>	

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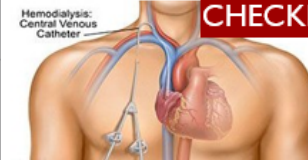
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Patient Label

#### CHECKLIST TO BE USED BY NURSING AT FIRST POINT OF CONTACT

- > HD NURSE
- > ED NURSE
- > BEDSIDE NURSE
- > DAY SURGERY NURSE



### HD CATHETER ASSESSMENT

<b>SENDING RN</b>	
<b>DATE AND TIME</b>	/ / :
<b>SUBJECTIVE DATA</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> RECENT TREATMENT FOR INFECTION <input type="checkbox"/> FEVER/CHILLS WHILE ON HD IN LAST 7 DAYS
<b>OBJECTIVE DATA</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ↑TEMP <input type="checkbox"/> ↑WBC <input type="checkbox"/> ↑NEUTROPHILS
<b>VISIBLE SIGNS &amp; SYMPTOMS OF INFECTION</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> SITE REDNESS <input type="checkbox"/> PURULENT DRAINAGE <input type="checkbox"/> MOISTURE UNDER DRESSING <input type="checkbox"/> ABSCESS <input type="checkbox"/> WARM TO TOUCH

**YES**

**TO ANY OF THE QUESTIONS**

### RESPONSE CHECKLIST

#### SENDING RN

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_  
 DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

- CATHETER CONDITION**
- DRESSING DRY AND INTACT
  - DATE OF LAST DRESSING CHANGE: \_\_\_\_\_
  - BLEEDING/OOZING
  - S/S OF INFECTION
  - CLEARGUARD HD CAPS IN PLACE

#### RECEIVING RN

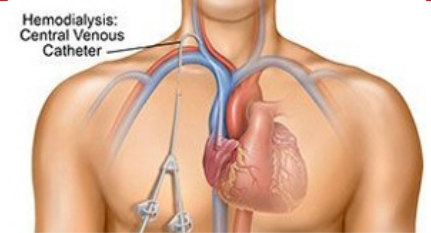
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- VITAL SIGNS**
- BP: \_\_\_\_\_
  - HR: \_\_\_\_\_
  - TEMP: \_\_\_\_\_
  - RESP: \_\_\_\_\_

- PENDING ORDERS RELATED TO HD CATHETER**
- BLOOD CULTURE COLLECTION
  - CATHETER REMOVAL
  - CATHETER EXCHANGE



Patient Label



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RESPONSE CHECKLIST

**CHECKLIST**

- NOTIFY PHYSICIAN OF ABOVE FINDINGS
- OBTAIN BLOOD CULTURE COLLECTED WITHIN 24 HOURS:  
DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_
- PERFORM DRESSING CHANGES  
REMOVE OLD DRESSING AND APPLY NEW DRESSING AND CLEARGUARD HD CAPS AT FIRST POINT OF CARE (FOLLOW STEPS TO CHANGE CVC DRESSING FOR HD CATHETERS).

**MUST BE COMPLETED PRIOR TO HANDING OFF THE PATIENT TO THE RECEIVING UNIT.**

**SIGNATURES**

- PERFORM HAND OFF

SENDING RN: \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

RECEIVING RN: \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_