



CLINICAL LABORATORY TECHNICAL BULLETIN

To: Physicians, Advanced Practice Clinicians, Residents
Date: August 10, 2026
Subject: **Aptima & Roche Collection Guidelines**

Effective **August 19, 2026**, the Bassett Medical Center Laboratory will transition to a new molecular testing platform. As part of this change, the currently used **Aptima collection tubes** will be discontinued and replaced with **Roche cobas collection kits** for applicable molecular testing. Please refer to the table below for additional information regarding collection requirements and test-specific details.

Please note: The **Aptima Multitest Collection Kit** will continue to be used for **Vaginitis Panel testing** as well as **Chlamydia trachomatis/Neisseria gonorrhoeae (CT/NG) testing from throat and rectal specimens**. All other applicable molecular testing should be collected using the appropriate Roche cobas collection kit effective August 19, 2026.

LAB2106A	Quest Vaginitis Panel		Multitest, orange label, pink swab
LAB101011 *Will update lab test code once built in Epic	Quest Chlamydia and GC testing for, Throat, and Rectal Swab Specimens*		
LAB1376	In-house testing for Chlamydia, GC on urine (male & female)		Urine, yellow cap, blue label, pipet
LAB894	In-house testing for Trichomonas vaginalis & Mycoplasma genitalium on urine (male & female)		
LAB1376	In-house testing for Chlamydia, GC for vaginal source only		Unisex, yellow cap, blue label, swab
LAB894	In-house testing for Trichomonas vaginalis & Mycoplasma genitalium for vaginal source only		

Please contact Customer Service (607-547-3700) with questions. Thank you.