PERRY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL LABORATORY

AUTOCYTE PAP SMEAR FOR CYTOLOGY

SPECIMEN REQUIRED: Cervical and endocervical sample.

COLLECTION:

1. Insert the Rover Cervex-Brush into the endocervical canal. Apply gentle pressure until the bristles form against the cervix. Maintaining gentle pressure, hold the stem between the thumb and forefinger and rotate the brush five times in a clockwise direction.
2. Place the thumb against the back of the brush pad. Disconnect the entire brush from the stem, placing the brush into the CytoRich preservative vial.
3. Tighten the cap on the vial. Label the vial and MMCI cytology requisition form with the patient name and ID number.
4. Record the patient's clinical information and medical history on the cytology requisition. Place the vial and requisition into a specimen bag for transport to the laboratory. The specimen should be kept at room temperature.

All PAP specimens processed by PMH Laboratory must be collected in the AutoCyte PREP System kits that are ordered through Methodist Medical Center by the PMH Laboratory. Samples not collected in the AutoCyte PREP kits will not be accepted. Expired CytoRich vials will not be processed.

AutoCyte PAP smears are reported within 5 working days.

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Pathology disk
Reference: Methodist Medical Center Test Directory

Laboratory Director	Date