

Unit 5 Lesson 4 Ten Rights of Specimen Collection

Specimens from residents are collected for laboratory analysis as indicated by a physician. Tests performed help with diagnosing conditions and assessing an infection or abnormal condition.

One of the more important things you will learn in the nurse aide course is how to follow a specific procedure for the collection and labeling of the specimen.

You will learn the “ten rights” of specimen collection.

1. The right resident
2. The right specimen
3. The right time
4. The right amount
5. The right container
6. The right label
7. The right requisition or lab slip
8. The right method
9. The right asepsis technique
10. The right attitude