Waikato Hospital – laboratory swab guide May 2016

Waikato District Health Board
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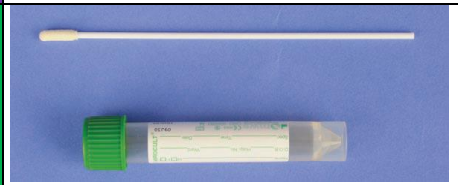
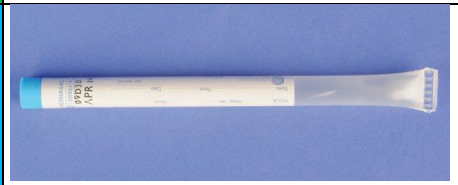
Colour	Photo	Description	Swab Name	Shaft	Transport Medium	Organisms					Sites							
			(Oracle ordering code)			Bacterial	Virus	Gono Chlamydia and Trich	Pertussis		Sterile site	Wounds, ulcer, skins	Low nose	Naopharyngeal	Throat	Skin for Herpes	Conjunctival	Cervix and vaginal
Standard Swabs																		
Purple		**Bacterial**	Fort Richard Copan H245 (101122)	plastic	Amies gel								MRSA only					
Green		**Viral**	Sigma-Virocult MW950S (108578)	Plastic snappable	Green cap tube MW950S PCR / culture medium													
Blue		**Nasopharygeal**	Medical wire MW160 (147201)	Flexi twisted wire	Dry or Tip can be cut off into green viral tube													
Orange		**Gono / Chlamydia / Trichomonas** swab and urine multicollect kit	Abbott multi-collect 9K12-01 (154519)	Plastic snappable	Orange cap tube PCR buffer													
Special Purpose																		
Orange		**Ears**	Transwab MW172 (123629)	Single bendable wire	Amies gel													