

## Paediatric Urine Collection

1. Make sure the genital and perineal areas are clean and dry (bathing an infant before collection is desirable but avoid any powder or cream being applied).
2. Hold urine collector by plastic between thumb and forefinger.
3. Peel back the adhesive coating around the opening of the urine collector, being sure not to touch the area with your hands.
4. Apply the collector from the back (the perineal area) working up towards the urethral area. Do not stretch bag after attachment to skin.
5. The bag should be positioned outside the nappy, or that the nappy be loosely fitted. This is to allow unimpeded filling of the bag. Keeping the child upright also minimises specimen loss.
6. Discontinue using the bag if the skin develops symptoms of allergy (e.g. redness).
7. When removing urine collector, start at the top (urethral area) and work back towards the perineum gently peeling adhesive away.
8. Using sterile scissors (clean with boiling water) cut top of urine collector and tip sample into sterile yellow topped containers.
9. Clearly mark the specimen and the request form that it is a "bag of urine". Label container with Name / Date / Time / DOB / Collector code
10. Store in the refrigerator and take to Collection Centre or Doctor's surgery as soon as possible.