Health Facts for You



Semen Sample Collection After Vasectomy

After your vasectomy, you will need to have a semen sample checked at least once or twice. The first sample should be brought in 2-3 months after your vasectomy.

Read this handout for collection and transport instructions, as well as a listing of drop-off locations.

You must drop off samples **8-12 weeks after your vasectomy**. You must collect the sample at home.

- 1. Either pick up a **sterile** container from a lab listed on the next page or use the one that was given to you after your procedure.
- 2. **Do not ejaculate for three days** before you collect your sample.
- 3. Masturbate to collect your sample into the sterile container. **Do not use a condom or spermicide.**
- 4. After you collect the sample, you must keep the sample warm (body temperature) until you drop it off at the lab. You can do this by carrying the sample in hand or against the body.

- 5. **Hand-write** this information (Sharpie works best):
 - a. Full Name
 - b. Date of Birth (D.O.B)
 - c. Date of Collection
 - d. Time of Collection

If any of this information is missing, it may result in testing **delay** and/or **rejection** of sample.

6. You must drop off your sample within one hour of collection at any UW Health lab listed on the next page between 8:00 am and 2:00 pm, Monday through Friday only.

Your health care team may have given you this information as part of your care. If so, please use it and call if you have any questions. If this information was not given to you as part of your care, please check with your doctor. This is not medical advice. This is not to be used for diagnosis or treatment of any medical condition. Because each person's health needs are different, you should talk with your doctor or others on your health care team when using this information. If you have an emergency, please call 911. Copyright © 11/2023 University of Wisconsin Hospitals and Clinics Authority. All rights reserved. Produced by the Department of Nursing. HF#8095.

Post Vasectomy samples may be dropped off (within one hour of collection) at the following UW Health Laboratory locations Monday – Friday between 8:00 am and 2:00 pm:

FULL-SERVICE LABS

Beaver Dam Clinic (920) 887-9272 705 S. University Ave., Suite 200

Belleville Clinic (608) 424-3384 1121 Bellwest Blvd.

DeForest-Windsor Clinic (608) 846-3741 4131 Meridian Drive

Fort Atkinson Clinic (920) 563-5544 1620 Mehta Lane

Mount Horeb Clinic (608) 437-3064 600 N. 8th Street

Northport Dr. Clinic (608) 241-9020 3209 Dryden Drive

Odana Rd. Clinic (608) 274-1100 5618 Odana Road

Oregon Clinic (608) 835-5588 137 S. Main Street Portage Clinic (608) 742-3004

2977 County Hwy. CX

Sun Prairie Clinic (608) 837-2206 2651 Windsor Street

Union Corners Clinic (608) 242-6850

2402 Winnebago Street

University Hospital (608) 263-8040 600 Highland Ave.

East Madison Hospital (608) 234-6600 4602 East Park Blvd.

Verona Clinic (608) 845-9531

100 N. Nine Mound Road

West Towne (608) 828-7640

7102 Mineral Point Road

Yahara Clinic (608) 222-8779

DROP OFF ONLY SITES

Note: Samples will require transportation to a different site for processing.

1 S. Park Medical Center- 2nd Floor

(608) 287-2690

20 S. Park Medical Center- 3rd Floor (608) 287-2085

North Building, Suite 304

E Terrace Dr. Medical Center

(608) 265-1260 5249 East Terrace Drive 1102 S. Park St Medical Center

(608) 287-5811

Stoughton Clinic (608) 877-2660 1001 Nygaard Street

Junction Rd. Medical Center

(608) 265-7460 451 Junction Road