Instructions for the Roche cobas® Ct/Ng PCR SWAB Sample Kit

Instructions for the clinician collected **VAGINAL SWAB:**

**Warning:** Do NOT pre-wet swab in cobas® PCR media before collection. The kit contains two swabs but only one swab is needed, discard second swab.

1. **COLLECT:** In one hand, hold the swab with the scoreline above your hand and insert the swab about 5 cm (2 inches) into the vaginal opening. Gently turn the swab for about 30 seconds while rubbing the swab against the walls of the vagina. Withdraw the swab carefully. Do not let the swab touch any surface before placing it into the collection tube.

2. **ALIGN:** Remove the cap from the cobas® Media Tube and lower the swab specimen into the tube until the visible scoreline on the swab is aligned with the tube rim. The tip of the swab should not be submerged into the liquid prior to breaking the shaft.

3. **BREAK:** Carefully leverage the swab against the tube rim to break the swab shaft at the scoreline.

4. **CLOSE:** Tightly re-cap the cobas® Media Tube. The specimen is now ready for transport.

"Label tube with patient name, date of birth, date of collection, barcode, and source."