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PROCEDURE

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TITLE:	LAB-SPC-04.05 Sample Collections Using a Syringe-PRO		
ISSUED BY:	Asst. Administrative Lab Director	REFERENCE #:	LAB-SPC-04.05-PRO
APPROVED BY:	Lab Director	EFFECTIVE DATE:	2004-04-01

SCOPE: All potential lab sample collectors.

PRINCIPLE:

The use of syringes in blood collection is discouraged but may be used when veins are too fragile for blood collection with vacuum tubes. Designated transfer devices must be used when collecting with a syringe.

PROCEDURE:

I. Method of Collection:

- A. Draw the blood into the syringe.
- B. Ensure that the needle's safety mechanism has been properly activated.
- C. Disconnect the blood-filled syringe from the activated safety-engineered needle.
- D. Do not recap, bend, or break needle when removing from syringe.**

II. Appropriate Transfer:

- A. Peel off paper backing.
- B. Insert syringe tip into hub of device.
- C. Rotate syringe clock-wise to secure syringe to hub.
- D. With syringe tip held facing down center Vacutainer tube and push into holder of blood transfer device.
- E. Use the same "order of draw" as for an evacuated tube system.
- F. After removing the last vacutainer tube, discard entire assembly transfer device and syringe in an approved sharps container.

REFERENCES: BD Vacutainer System, Preanalytical Solutions, 1 Becton Drive, Franklin Lakes NJ. 07417-11/02 V57035; Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA), US Department of Labor June 12, 2002 OSHA Standard Interpretation letter on the Re-use of blood tube holders.

RECORDS: NA

REFERENCE STANDARDS:

CAP GEN.40000; GEN.40016; GEN.40032; GEN.40050; GEN.40100; GEN.74300; GEN.78000



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REVISION/REVIEW HISTORY:

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05/31/11 dlt	None	Reviewed/Revised. Electronically saved in lab G drive.
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03/12/14 dlt	I (D)	Added for clarification.
03/15/16 dlt	All	Reviewed no changes
03/28/18 dlt	Reviewed all	Updated CAP Standards