



# CONWAY MEDICAL CENTER

## PROCEDURE

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TITLE:	LAB-SPC-CYT-08.04 Scraping Smear Collections (Mouth, Pharynx and Lesions for Herpes)-PRO		
ISSUED BY:	Cytotechnologist	REFERENCE #:	LAB-SPC-CYT-08.04-PRO
APPROVED BY:	Lab Director	EFFECTIVE DATE:	1989-10-10

**SCOPE:** All potential collectors and submitters of scrapings for cytology testing to be performed at Conway Medical Center.

### I) MATERIALS NEEDED:

- A) A plastic spatula (utilize those from Pap collection kit).
- B) Vial of PreservCyt solution.
- C) Nonabsorbent cotton swabs.
- D) Physiology solution (saline, etc.)

### II) PROCEDURE:

- A) The lesion :
  - 1) Open the vial of PreservCyt.
  - 2) Gently moisten and remove the necrotic debris with a nonabsorbent cotton swab, which has been dipped in saline.
  - 3) Discard the swab and debris.
  - 4) Using the plastic spatula, gently rub the growing margins of the lesion.
  - 5) Rinse the spatula as quickly as possible into the PreservCyt solution vial by swirling the spatula vigorously. Discard the spatula.
- B) After collection utilizing either protocol:
  - 1) Tighten the cap so the torque line on the cap passes the torque line on the vial.
  - 2) The specimen containers should be labeled per hospital policy, placed in a specimen bag and sent to cytology.
  - 3)

**RECORDS:** NA

**REFERENCE STANDARDS:** CAP GEN.40000; GEN.40100; GEN.40016; GEN.40032; GEN.40050; GEN.40100

### REVISION/REVIEW HISTORY:

Date	Affected	Summary of Changes ('Reviewed' or details of change)
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