



# CONWAY MEDICAL CENTER

## PROCEDURE

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TITLE:	LAB-SPC-HIS-09.03 Tissue and Foreign Body Material Removal Guidelines-PRO		
ISSUED BY:	Sr. Tech, Anatomic Pathology	REFERENCE #:	LAB-SPC-HIS-09.03-PRO
APPROVED BY:	Lab Director	EFFECTIVE DATE:	2002-09-17

**SCOPE:** All hospital nursing, physician, laboratory staff.

### **PROCEDURE:**

I. **SUBMISSIONS:** all tissues and foreign bodies removed during surgery, both inpatient and outpatient, are to be sent to the Pathology Laboratory with a completed tissue examination card for accessioning and examination. The examination will be "GROSS EXAMINATION" only or will "GROSS" and "MICROSCOPIC EXAMINATION", depending on the nature of the specimen and the clinical circumstances.

### II. **EXEMPTIONS:**

- A. Newborn foreskins.
- B. Normal placentas.
- C. Corneal foreign bodies.
- D. Fingernails and toenails.

*NOTE: In the cases where exempt material is removed, no tissue examination card is required. In the case of foreign bodies where there are NO medico-legal implications, the discretion as to whether to submit them for examination is rendered to the surgeon in charge of the case. Foreign bodies WITH medico-legal implications will be accessioned and examined in the usual manner.*

**RECORDS:** NA

**REFERENCE STANDARDS:** CAP ANP.10016; ANP.10032; GEN.40000; GEN.40016; GEN.40050; GEN.40100

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