

STOP Before You Tube!

3 quick checks to protect patients and avoid delays



Blood pickup: Match the patient first



Badge in. Enter the last 5 digits of the receiving patient's MRN as the PIN.

Right patient • Right blood

Specimens: Label before you send



Label the tube before it goes in the tube station. Keep the label flat, straight, and easy to read.

No label? Do not send.



Culture Pause: UA with reflex, urine or C. diff culture?

Send the Culture Pause form with the specimen when tubing UA with reflex, urine culture or C. diff specimen. Failure to do this will lead to delays.

Form goes with specimen.

Unsure? Ask the charge nurse or CNC before sending