

**SEMEN ANALYSIS INSTRUCTIONS**

**Call the hospital lab at 320-762-6152 to schedule an appointment for testing. Scheduled appointments are Monday through Friday only, excluding any holiday, between 8:00 am and 1:30 pm Do not bring sample if appointment has not been made.** Be aware if unable to be on time for the appointment, you may be asked to reschedule. Please notify the lab as soon as possible if unable to keep appointment.

**Criteria for collection:**

- At least 4-5 days abstinence is required prior to the collection of test sample.
- The semen sample must arrive in the lab within 30 minutes of collection. If arrival of sample will be >30 minutes due to distance from the hospital, inquire about collecting at the hospital when scheduling.
- The sample must be kept warm (body temperature, avoid excessive heat and cold, no warm packs).
- Collect the sample in a manner that does not allow for any loss of the specimen.
- The preferred method is to collect the sample directly into a sterile plastic container such as a urine collection cup by means of masturbation.

Bring specimen directly to the Alomere Hospital Laboratory, located on the lower level of the building. Bring this completed sheet to the appointment. A signed provider order for the test either in paper form or EMR is required.

**Please complete the following information and bring this form to the lab along with the specimen.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Date and time specimen produced: \_\_\_\_\_

Collection type: Direct self-production (masturbation) or condom, well rinsed prior to use

Length of abstinence  days (4 to 5 days recommended)

Name of ordering provider \_\_\_\_\_

**LAB USE ONLY-Pale gray boxes are resulted in Beaker**

<b>Appearance</b>			
<b>pH</b>			
<b>Volume</b>			
<b>Viscosity</b>			
<b>Calculation Worksheet</b>	Row 1	Row 2	Average- Add count of Rows 1 and 2, divide by 2. <b>Report average for total sperm count and % motility</b>
Motile Sperm Counted			
Total Sperm Counted			
Percent Motility- Divide motile sperm by total sperm count to determine percent motility			