

Urine Samples and Additional Testing

Working to diagnose your problems sooner



IN-OFFICE URINE TESTING

During most office visits, you will be asked to provide a urine sample for testing. This helps us identify urological problems you may have in your urine such as blood or infection. If abnormalities are seen, additional urine tests may be ordered.



DIAGNOSIS and TREATMENT

A urinary tract infection (UTI) occurs when bacteria grow in the urine. Symptoms may include urinary frequency, urgency, burning, and discomfort. To know which treatment is best, it is important to know which bacteria is causing the infection. A urine culture can identify some bacteria and fungi that can cause infections, but it does not work in all cases.

MicroGenDx: New 2-Part DNA Testing

New technology enables us to better identify bacteria and fungi which may not appear on a typical urine culture.

We may order this DNA test if:

- you have had negative urine cultures and recurrent symptoms that do not improve with medication;
- you have had a urine culture at The Urology Group within the last six months and still have symptoms;
- · or if your urologist feels it is necessary.

Your urine will be tested first at The Urology Group and then sent to the MicroGenDx lab. Preliminary results are typically available in two business days and final results in seven business days.

If you do not want additional testing, please make your provider aware during your office visit.



BILLING

Some testing to diagnose and treat your UTI may be billed by a third party, such as MicroGenDx DNA Testing. While most insurance payers cover this test, we cannot guarantee it. You may owe a deductible, if not yet met. If you receive an Explanation of Benefits (EOB) after your test, please wait until you receive a bill from The Urology Group to determine the amount you will owe, if any. For billing questions, call 513-841-7474.

You may also receive a separate bill from MicroGenDX. If you have questions about that bill, please contact them directly at 806-776-2611, option 2.