



## **Pediatric Bagged Urine**

### Collection Procedure

For use with infants and small children only.

1. Before beginning the procedure, clinical personnel should wash their hands thoroughly with soap and water, then rinse and dry.
2. Separate the child's legs.
3. Cleanse the pubic and perineal areas with a moist towelette. Gently wipe from front to back between the folds of skin. Repeat the front to back wash process using a second towelette. Do not apply powders, oils or lotions to the skin.
4. Remove the protective paper, exposing the hypoallergenic skin adhesive attached to the U-Bag.
  - For girls, stretch the perineum to remove skin folds. Press the adhesive firmly to the skin all around the vagina. Be sure to start at the bridge of the skin, separate the rectum from the vagina, and work forward.
  - For boys, fit the bag over the penis and press the flaps firmly to the perineum.
  - Make sure the entire adhesive coating is firmly attached to the skin without puckering of the adhesive.
5. Check the U-Bag periodically (e.g., every 15 minutes).
6. Gently remove the U-Bag when it contains a urine specimen.
7. Without further contamination, pour or decant the specimen into a sterile collection container and secure the lid. Label the cup and transport it to the lab.

Note: Urine specimens collected in the hospital should be transported to the lab within 60 minutes. Urine collected outside of the hospital may be refrigerated for up to 24 hours. Urine specimens more than 2 hours old that have not been refrigerated are unacceptable for urinalysis or culture.