# THE University of Vermont HEALTH NETWORK

# **Central Vermont Medical Center**

Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine

### **ROUTINE CULTURES**

# **SPECIMEN**

Routine cultures from the eye, ear, nose and wound and skin sites are collected on a Culture Swab or other sterile container following standard procedures for disinfection and collection for each site.

### **LABELING AND TRANSPORT**

The specimen must be labeled with patient name, date of birth, date, and source. Maintain at room temperature until delivery to the laboratory.

#### Reference:

Manual of Clinical Microbiology; 7th Ed, P.R. Murray, E.J. Baron, M.A. Pfaller, F.C. Tenover, R.H. Yolken