

**Southern Nevada Public Health Laboratory**  
**TEST MENU**

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## **Neisseria gonorrhoeae, Culture**

<b>Method</b>	Culture Identification of <i>Neisseria gonorrhoeae</i>
<b>CPT Code</b>	87081 Culture 87077 Identification
<b>Specimen</b>	<b>Swab:</b> Acceptable sources: Anal, Cervical, Eye, Urethral, Vaginal, Throat
<b>Collect in</b>	Swab in transport media or Direct inoculation onto Modified Thayer Martin Media (MTM) plate placed in transport bag that will provide a 5-10% CO <sub>2</sub> environment (available from the laboratory)
<b>Labeling</b>	Label with patient's full name and ID number and date of subculture
<b>Transport</b>	Store and ship at room temperature. <b>DO NOT REFRIGERATE</b> Transport to the lab as soon as possible. Swab in transport media must be transported to the lab within 1 hour of collection. Direct inoculation plates must be transported to the lab within 24 hours or incubated at 35-37°C until transported to the lab.
<b>Sample Rejection</b>	Inappropriate specimen transport Expired transport medium Leaking transport container Mislabeled/Unlabeled specimen
<b>Requisition</b>	<a href="#">SNPHL Request Forms</a> Testing is performed only at the request of SNHD
<b>Turn Around Time</b>	72 hours
<b>Results</b>	<i>Neisseria gonorrhoeae</i> isolated or not isolated
<b>Reported</b>	System generated fax; Electronic transmission
<b>Contact</b>	Southern Nevada Public Health Laboratory – Microbiology section