

FETAL OR PLACENTAL TISSUE FOR GENETIC TESTING

Villi or fetal skin must be collected sterilely and placed in sterile saline, RPMI media or a suitable sterile media with antibiotics. Send the specimen STAT to Aurora Diagnostics Laboratory Medicine Consultants (ARDX LMC).
Call 249-4094 to arrange for a STAT courier pick-up.

Aurora Diagnostics Laboratory Medicine Consultants requires written consent from the patient or the legal guardian of the patient for the disposal of fetal tissue/products of conception.

A miscarriage is defined as products of conception under 20 weeks gestation and less than 500g. Ensure receipt of a "Consent For Disposal of Products of Conception" with specimen requisition. If a specimen arrives without "Consent for Disposal of Products of Conception Form", the specimen will be rejected by the laboratory and returned to the physician's office.

A stillbirth is defined by Nevada Revised Statue (44.070) as: "A fetal death over 20 weeks gestation and weighing 500g or greater". Aurora Diagnostics Laboratory Medicine Consultants does not perform autopsies on outpatient cases. Any fetus greater than 20 weeks requires burial by Nevada State Regulation.