

University of Colorado Hospital – Clinical Laboratory
Point of Care Testing Program
OSOM Rapid Strep A Test Competency

Performance Criteria	Meets Criteria Please Initial		Comments
	Yes	No	
Knowledge Demonstration:			
States what swabs to use with this test.			
Knows what swabs are unacceptable for this test.			
Knows what the color change should be when adding Reagent 2 to Reagent 1 and is able to explain what the color change means.			
Can explain what the positive internal control looks like and what the internal negative control is. Can explain what to do if the positive control line does not appear.			
Can explain how often the external quality control must be done.			
Skill Demonstration:			
Checks expiration date of test kit. Stores reagent strips at room temperature. Dates box when opened. Knows reagents are good until expiration date on the box.			
Performs Quality Control by running a positive and negative control when a new box is opened and again after 25 tests (pos and neg controls run every 25 tests-twice per kit). Can demonstrate the correct procedure for doing controls and correctly interprets control results.			
Performs complete processing of a patient sample to the point of result interpretation. Correctly timing test.			
Records date, time, initials, external QC results for each 25 tests, records internal extraction color change, internal controls, patient name and results, on the logsheet. Can explain how to correctly complete logsheet.			
Records patient results on patient's chart.			
Notifies Caregiver of positive results.			
Disposes of test strips and patient specimen swab according to UCH policy.			
Sends Clinical Laboratory a swab for throat culture when a negative rapid Strep result is obtained on the patient.			
States location of test instruction (procedure) manual and has general knowledge of content.			
<p>Employee Name (print): _____</p> <p>Employee #: _____ Unit: _____</p> <p>Employee Signature: _____</p> <p>Position: _____</p> <p>Evaluator Signature: _____ Initials: _____</p> <p>Date: _____</p>			