

## **LABORATORY SERVICES GUIDELINES FOR 24 HOUR URINE COLLECTION**

**ALL SPECIMEN CONTAINERS MUST BE LABELED WITH THE PATIENT'S FIRST & LAST NAME, DATE OF BIRTH, DATE AND TIME OF COLLECTION. \***

**Please note:** For creatinine clearance, the patient will need to be drawn for serum creatinine the same day of sample drop off.

1. Void and discard the first urine sample the day the collection begins (i.e. 6:00 or 7:00 AM)
2. Collect and save every single urine specimen throughout the day for the next 23 hours. Total volume is critical to the test results. **Keep refrigerated** (or in an ice bucket) in the meantime.
3. Last specimen to be saved will be the first sample from the second day (when getting up at 6:00 or 7:00 AM)
4. Take sample and physician orders as soon as the last specimen is collected to a Southwest General Outpatient collection site for drop-off

**Location phone numbers:** Please call site for hours of operation

- Outpatient Center: 440-816-8808
- Strongsville Medical Center: 440-816-4976
- Brunswick Outpatient Center: 440-816-5561 or 330-558-0360

**\*ALL SPECIMENS REQUIRE REGISTRATION AT TIME OF DROP-OFF WITH INSURANCE CARD AND PHOTO ID\***