

## Supplies for the STD Examination

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A properly stocked examination room will contain supplies for both the male and female examination at all times:

1. Gloves
2. Penlight or flashlight
3. Adjustable light
4. Tongue depressor
5. Wrapped sterile Dacron® or rayon swabs with plastic or wire shaft (Do not use cotton tips or wood shafts as these may be toxic or inhibitory to GC growth) and calcium alginate swabs (Calgiswab®) for collection of male urethral samples for Neisseria gonorrhea culture
6. Wrapped sterile Dacron®, rayon or cotton-tipped swabs to collect samples for wet mount tests
7. Sterile gauze
8. Gonorrhea culture plates
9. NAAT kits
10. Glass slides
11. Cover slips for slides
12. Pen/pencil to label vials and slides
13. Appropriate state and local lab requisitions as indicated
14. Drapes or gowns for females
15. Specula
16. Water soluble lubricating gel
17. pH paper (narrow range; example 3.0-5.5)
18. 1cc sterile normal saline in small test tubes (prefer closed sterile test tubes)
  - Fill test tubes with fresh sterile saline for each client
  - Large-volume containers of normal saline solution should be stored and replaced according to the manufacturer's instructions.

Optional supplies:

1. Venipuncture equipment
2. Sharps container
3. Urine specimen containers
4. Herpes culture transport media stored in refrigerator
5. Pap smear materials

For ThinPrep® Pap smear	For Conventional Pap smear*
Plastic spatula	Cervical spatula
Endocervical brush	Endocervical brush
Vial of PreservCyt	Slide with frosted end
Mailing container for bagged ThinPrep vials	Pap smear spray fixative
Sturdy cardboard box	Appropriate mailing containers
Individual zip lock bags	

\*Review "Cervical Screening Manual: A Guide for Health Departments and Providers" published by the NC DHHS/DPH/Breast and Cervical Cancer Program for additional information on the conventional pap procedure.  
[http://bcccp.ncdhhs.gov/linksandresources/The\\_Cervical\\_Screening\\_Manual.pdf](http://bcccp.ncdhhs.gov/linksandresources/The_Cervical_Screening_Manual.pdf)