

MID-CHARLOTTE DERMATOLOGY AND RESEARCH

Dr. Libby Edwards

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COLLECTING AND SENDING VAGINAL SECRETIONS

- 1. Do not use any medications inside the vagina for three days before collecting vaginal secretions.
2. Call the office to let us know that you will be sending in these secretions and to make sure that Dr. Edwards will be in the office.
3. Insert the swab deeply into the vagina to collect secretions. Then insert the swab into the plastic tube.
4. Write your last name and date on the label of the tube.

Fill out the following: SECRETIONS SUBMITTED WITHOUT THIS INFORMATION CAN NOT BE INTERPRETED CORRECTLY

Why are you sending secretions and exactly what symptoms are you having?

What medications for this problem are you using (oral and/or topical) and when were they last taken or applied?

Dr. Edwards will examine these under the microscope and, if needed, send them for a culture if there is concern about infection. You will receive a bill for \$50 for our services and if it is sent to the lab, you will incur charges from them, as well. We will be happy to provide you with a statement for insurance billing purposes. We will inform you of results within a few days

PHYSICIAN USE ONLY

_WBC

_EPI. CELLS

_YEAST

_BACTERIA

Assessment:

Plan:

Chart #: _____

Patient: _____