

From 26 January 2026, the swabs you use to collect samples are changing.



- ✓ Please use new liquid swabs for all bacteriology culture testing (purple-topped for a single-swab process, double or triple swabs for MRSA testing)

Exceptions: sexual health and C.auris testing
(continue to use existing swabs and process)

- ✓ Continue using existing green or red liquid swabs for virology tests

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