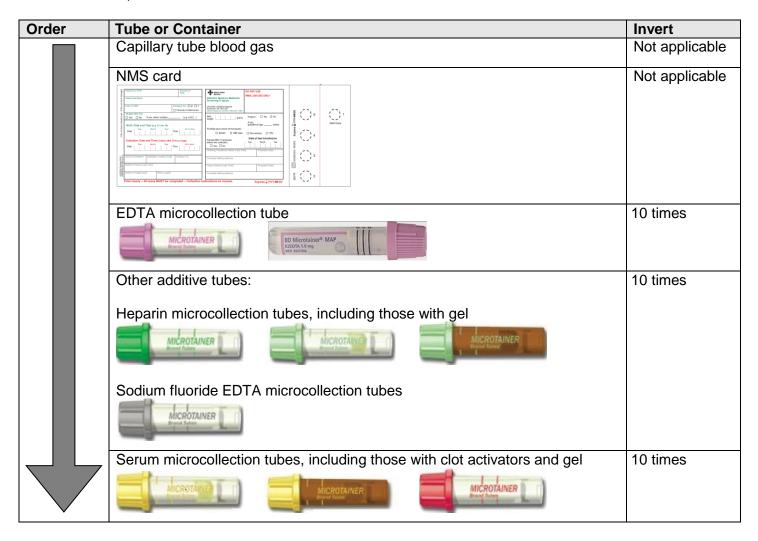


Skin Puncture Order of Collection

Blood collection tubes must be filled in a specific order to minimize contamination of sterile specimens and avoid possible test result error due to cross contamination from tube additives.

Refer to the APL Test Directory for specific information on the collection and handling of each laboratory test.

Use the same order for transferring syringe collected blood into microcollection tubes. For venipuncture and evacuated tubes, refer to *PA03-005 Order of Draw and Order of Transfer*.



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