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2. Fully complete the requisition, include clinical details.
3. Use the biohazard bag to send requisition and specimen to the laboratory. Be sure to use a proper shipping container for transport the specimen to the laboratory.

### NOTES:

Please **DO NOT** submit skin, hair, or nail specimens between two microscopic slides.

PLEASE **DO NOT** send scalpel blades with specimens

**Specimens for fungal culture other than skin, hair and nail must be submitted in a leak proof, sterile container.**

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