



## Voided Urine

### Collection Procedure

Instruct the patient as follows:

1. Urinate into the specimen collection container.
2. Place the lid on the cup. Make sure the cup is labeled with your first and last name.

Note: If the specimen is being collected at home, it is important to **keep the specimen refrigerated or on ice** from the time it is collected until the time it arrives in the lab.

Note: A voided urine is not an acceptable specimen for bacterial culture.