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## PARENTAGE TESTING PROCEDURE

### GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

The following policy for the collection of specimens for parentage testing should be followed to ensure the proper identification of all parties and the accuracy of all phases of the collection, packaging and shipping process.

### SCOPE

This policy shall apply to all Bassett Healthcare Laboratories collecting specimens for parentage testing for DNA Diagnostics, Orchid Cell mark, DDC Diagnostics, and other parentage testing laboratories as approved.

### POLICY

All inquiries from parties interested in parentage testing should be directed to the DNA Diagnostics Center at 1-800-825-2986. They will be informed of the cost and technical limitations of the testing. DNA Diagnostics will call the Bassett Medical Center outpatient laboratory to schedule the collection. Other diagnostic laboratories performing parentage testing may also schedule collections for their clients. The Delaware County Courts will contact O'Connor Hospital Laboratory by mail or telephone to schedule their clients. The performing laboratory will ship the appropriate kit with swabs or blood collection tubes, client authorization, and shipping materials.

### PROCEDURE

1. Copies of all clients' appropriate identification, ID, Birth Certificate, social security card, military ID, etc., must be obtained and client authorization completed **before collection can begin.**
2. Follow the directions for collection and labeling of specimens and chain of custody provided in the kit as each performing laboratory may have different requirements. Review all forms to assure all required information and signatures have been obtained.
3. Package the specimens and complete the chain of custody with evidence tamper tape according to the performing laboratories instructions.
4. The package should be placed in mail bin for Fed Ex shipping. The specimens may ship at room temperature.

### REFERENCES

1. New York State Department of Health Clinical Laboratory Standards of Practice; Parentage/Identity Testing Standard of Practice (PIT 2, PIT 3, PIT S4); 202.