GROUP B STREPTOCOCCUS SCREEN

Orderable – GBS
Turnaround Time: 2 days

Alternate Name(s):
Group B Strep Screen
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Specimen Type and Collection Information:

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<td>Placental material/swab</td>
<td>Should be ordered as TISC (see tissue culture)</td>
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<td>Vaginal/Rectal swab</td>
<td>Collect from the lower vagina and then the rectum through the anal sphincter. Place the swab in transport media.</td>
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Screening should be done at 35-37 weeks gestation.

Critical Information Required:

Select “vaginal swab, pen allergy” from the source drop down box in penicillin allergic patients.

Storage and Shipment:

The specimen must be stored at room temperature.
The specimen must be received within 24 hours of collection.