Using Rover for Lab Specimen Collection and Barcode Scanning

For Inpatient Nursing

Before Collecting the Specimen:

Before you begin, gather all needed supplies for specimen collection at patient bedside, including lab tubes, needles, a wireless printer and smartphone with Rover.

1. Tap the Print Label task button that appears on the Work List.
2. Scan the patient’s armband to confirm their identity.
3. The selected lab order will default with a checked box. Check all labs that apply.
4. The lab order selected will default with a checked box. You can choose multiple labs.
   • Additional labs scheduled two hours ahead and four hours previous are available to select.
5. The Label Printer field will be blank. Scan the printer’s barcode label to populate the Label Printer name.
6. The Label Printer field is now populated with the printer ID.
7. After obtaining the specimen, click the Print Label button and follow your normal specimen labeling workflow.
   • Note: Some facilities require the label be printed before collection. Follow the workflow for your facility.

After Collecting the Specimen:

1. After collecting the specimen and placing labels on the container, tap the Collect task button from the Work List to open the task.
2. Scan the barcode on the specimen label. The Collection date and time will automatically populate.
3. A green check mark will indicate the task is complete.
4. Tap Accept.

Using the Brain:

Although the Brain may also be used for specimen collection, the Work List is preferred. When collecting specimens using the Brain, you’ll be prompted to scan the patient’s armband when printing the label and before collecting the specimen.

For more information, visit it.houstonmethodist.org/specimenscanning/

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