

1. Measure and cut a minimum of 8 inches of umbilical cord tissue (approximately the width of this paper).

8 inches

- Remove residual blood by gently squeezing the cord segment once between your thumb and forefinger. (Some blood may remain and is not a problem.)
- **3.** Rinse the cord segment with water or saline.
- 4. Place the segment on gauze or a towel and gently pat dry.
- 5. Loosely coil the cord into a labeled specimen cup and secure the lid.
- 6. Attach a tamper-resistant seal (optional).
- **7.** Place the cup in specimen bag and process the test order. Cord tissue can be refrigerated for storage for up to three weeks.

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