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Laboratory Changes for 11/10/26
Urine Cotinine Testing Specimen Container Change

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SUMMARY OF TEST CHANGE

- Effective **11/10/2026,** urine cotinine specimen collection will transition from the current 16mm X 100mm yellow top, no additive urinalysis tube to a 13mm X 100mm clear-top, no additive urine collection tubes.
    - Currently, all urine cotinine specimens received in yellow-top tubes must be transferred into clear-top tubes prior to analysis. This change eliminates the need for specimen transfer, reducing the risk of specimen handling errors, decreasing supply waste, and standardizing urine specimen collection for urine chemistry testing.

New Tube:	**Old Tube:**
	
Order Number: 10010841	Order Number: 10249690

References:
See the online test catalog for more information: The Ohio State Wexner Medical Center Labs Test Catalog
For questions, please contact: 614-366-2794