

# Urine Drug Screen (Lab based)

**Cost:** There is usually an out of pocket fee for this test unless a third party has been nominated. If you nominate a third party to pay, you must provide Western Diagnostic Pathology with a written statement such as a Purchase order or request form (paper/email or text message) from the third party clearly stating they will accept the costs. Without payment the collection will not proceed.

## What to Expect

- Photo ID must be shown to the collector prior to collection.
- The collector will supervise this collection either directly or indirectly.
- You will need to sign all tamper evident labels and forms. Please follow all collector's instructions during the procedure.
- A form will be given to you to complete asking about your current medications, other personal information and consent. Please read and complete to the best of your ability.
- To avoid your sample from being too dilute for accurate testing, we ask that you do not drink more than 250mL of liquid in the hour prior to collection.

## Sample Collection – General Overview

The collector will ask you to remove coats/bulky clothing and empty your pockets. All personal belongings will be left outside the collection room.

You will be asked to wash your hands prior to producing a sample.

A labelled sample cup will be provided to you to provide a sample under supervision.

Once finished the cup is handed to the collector, and the collector inspects the toilet prior to flushing.

The urine temperature and creatinine will be tested. If these are outside of range, or if anything else is unusual is noted; another sample will be required and you must stay in the collection centre until the second collect.

Samples are then split off into tubes, sealed and sent to the laboratory for testing.

### Find a collection centre

For a full listing of our collection centres and operating hours, or to find another centre close by, please scan the QR code with your smart phone.

