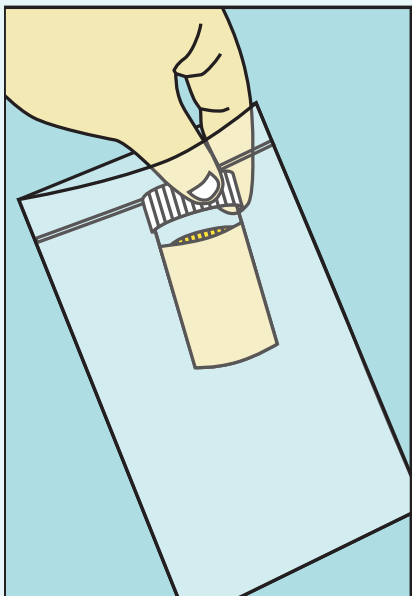




VCS Pathology

# HISTOLOGY SPECIMENS SECURE PACKAGING



1

Ensure pot/vial is labelled with patient's surname, given name and DOB, then seal in the small zip-lock bag provided.

The image shows two copies of a VCS Pathology request slip. The top copy is labeled 'LAB COPY' and the bottom copy is labeled 'PATIENT COPY'. Both forms have a red circle around the 'Patient's Signature' field, which contains an 'X'. The forms include fields for Patient Address, Tests Requested, Medicare Assignment, and Requesting Practitioner details.

2

**REQUEST SLIP**  
Please ensure patient signs for histology (bulk billed).



3

Put the bagged histology pack into the zip-lock section of a VCS Pathology specimen bag and the request slip in the outer pocket.

**IF YOU POST YOUR SAMPLES TO VCS PATHOLOGY PLEASE SEE THE NEW 'MAILING SPECIMENS TO VCS PATHOLOGY' INFORMATION SHEET AND ENSURE YOU HAVE THE CORRECT PACKAGING (SUPPLIED BY VCS PATHOLOGY).**

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# Gynaecological Histopathology

VCS Pathology provides a specialist gynaecological histopathology service which has significant benefits for referrers and their patients:

- Our pathologists specialise in gynaecological cases and are experts in their field
- VCS Pathology reports about half of CSTs in Victoria
- Liquid based cytology tests taken prior to biopsy are often immediately available for review and correlation
- Our quality assurance procedures correlate cervical cytology and histology results to ensure that each case receives the most comprehensive analysis
- Histology results - prompt turnaround time, usually within 2 working days and often within 24 hours (for results sent by electronic transfer)

### BULK-BILLED TEST

If the patient has signed the request form and provided their Medicare details.

## VCS Pathology accepts specimens for histological analysis from the following sites\* :

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| <b>VULVA</b><br>Biopsies<br>Excisions         | <b>VAGINA</b><br>Biopsies<br>Excisions              | <b>UTERUS</b><br>Simple Hysterectomy<br>Total Hysterectomy | <b>TUBES / OVARIES</b><br>Biopsy<br>Cystectomy<br>Oophorectomy<br>Salpingectomy |
| <b>CERVIX</b><br>Biopsy<br>LLETZ/LEEP<br>Cone | <b>ENDOMETRIUM</b><br>Biopsy<br>Curette<br>Ablation | <b>PERITONEUM</b><br>Biopsy                                |   |

\*Please note that we do not provide a frozen section service.