TB Specimen Packing and Shipping Instructions

Shipping Components:

- 1 Laboratory Test Request Form
- 1 Sterile Specimen collection tube
- 1 Absorbent sheet
- 1 Primary specimen bag (small biohazard bag)
- 1 Secondary specimen bag (large biohazard bag)

Packing Instructions:

1. Properly and clearly label the specimen tube with the patients name, DOB, and date and time of collection.
2. Following specimen collection guidelines, collect sputum in the provide specimen tube.
3. After collection, tighten the tube as to avoid leakage.
4. Place the specimen tube inside the primary specimen bag containing the absorbent sheet material (small biohazard bag) and seal the bag.
5. Place that primary specimen container inside the secondary specimen bag (large biohazard bag) and seal the bag.
6. Complete the required information on the provided laboratory test request form.
7. The completed laboratory test request form should be folded and placed inside the outside pocket of the secondary specimen bag.