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SEMEN ANALYSIS - SPERMOGRAM

A spermogram or a semen analysis can be requested either for a **fertility test** or a **post-vasectomy** testing.

Respecting the semen analysis procedure is essential.

For the best possible results, you need to **provide a quality specimen** by meeting those requirements :

- You need to take an appointment by dialing 1-833-991-2661 or at <u>santelaurentides.gouv.qc.ca</u> to take an appointment on line. You will need to specify if its a fertility or a post-vasectomy test. You need to respect the apointment given.
- o Before the collect of the specimen, a minimum of 48 hours **abstinence** (not exceding 7 days) is required.
- O Use a **screw cap sample cup** (like a urine culture cup). Any non-compliant container will automatically be rejected (you would then have to start all the procedure over, including aquiring a new prescription from your doctor) You can find a correct container from your doctor, a collection center or a drugstore.
- Collect the **whole sample** directly in the container (<u>never transfer from another</u> container such as a condom).
- The sample must reach the collection center within half an hour of the
 ejaculation. If its impossible, you can do your sample on site. Respect this timing
 with the time of your appointment and the required temperature during the
 transport (body temperature).
- You will need a **valid**, **signed**, **prescription** with a **valid health insurrance card**. Make sure to have theses documents in hands at the time of your apointment.