#### Ship the specimen to the lab

Specimen must be returned in the Genova Diagnostics kit box for correct delivery to the lab. Please refer to the shipping instruction insert found in your kit box.

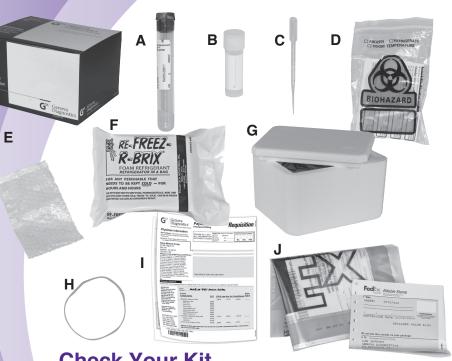
- Plan to ship the specimen Monday Friday overnight delivery
- Call 1.800.GoFedEx (1.800.463.3339) to schedule shipping. When the automated system asks "How may I help you?" say "Return a Package." Tell the FedEx representative "I am using a billable stamp" and they will walk you through the process and make it easy.
- · Make sure the tube is tightly closed and identified with completed label. Seal the tube in the bubble wrap bag and put it into the Biohazard bag, and seal it securely.
- · Lay the Biohazard bag with specimen on top of the freezer brick in the foam box. Secure the foam box lid with the rubber band.
- · Slide foam box back inside kit box and place your completed and signed requisition form on top before closing. Do NOT staple or tape box.
- Print your name and address in the section marked "From" on the prepaid shipping envelope label. DO NOT mark or write in any other sections.
- Put the kit box into the prepaid mailing envelope and seal the envelope.
- · Keep your shipment and tracking numbers for future reference and tracking purposes.





## Comprehensive Thyroid Assessment

### Clinician Instructions for Serum Collection



#### **Check Your Kit**

- A 1 SST serum collection tube
- B 1 Transfer tube
- C 1 Pipette
- D 1 Biohazard bag and absorbent pad
- E 1 Bubblewrap bag
- F 1 Freezer brick

- **G** 1 Foam insulator box
- H 1 Rubber band
- I 1 Requisition (to be completed and signed)
- J 1 Prepaid mailing envelope



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## Step 1:

#### Schedule & Prepare for the blood draw

- Drugs that may interfere with test results include glucocorticoids (e.g., prednisone), dopamine, lithium, interferon-alpha, phenobarbital, phenytoin, heparin, clofibrate, carbamazepine, and colestipol. If you have questions, please consult a pharmacist or the PDR.
- Refer to the shipping instruction insert for specimen shipment instructions. Sample MUST be stored frozen at least 2 hours before shipping.
- Freeze the enclosed freezer brick a minimum of 8 hours before shipping.
- Complete the requisition form with all patient and billing information.
  Be sure it is signed by the patient/responsible party and the healthcare provider.

# Step 2:

### **Blood Draw & Serum Preparation**

Not following these instructions may affect the test results.



Write the patient's full name and the time and date of collection on each tube.



nraw blood to fill the SST tube.



Allow the blood in the SST tube to **clot for 15 minutes** while standing in a rack.



Centrifuge the tube for 15 minutes at 3000 RPM.



Transfer at least 3 ml of the serum from the SST tube into the transfer tube using the pipette. Screw the top on the tube tightly to avoid leakage. Discard the SST tube.



bubble wrap bag. Samples must be frozen a minimum of 2 hours prior to shipping. Keep samples frozen until ready to ship.



Complete the Requisition: Test cannot be processed without this information.

• Enter date in box labeled "Date Final Sample Collected."