

## How to use the Barcode labels appearing on our NEW forms

A strip of numbered and bar-coded labels are now found at the bottom of new requisition forms. The numbers on the labels correspond to the unique number at the top of the form.

- The first two (2) labels on the strip are for specimen identification - you are to label the specimen tube(s) with these labels. These labels have a line for you to supply a unique patient identifier. Please complete by providing an appropriate identifier, such as name, health record #, or an identifier of your choosing.
- Place the label vertically on the specimen tube. The label should read left to right/bottom to top. Always make sure that the patient identifiers can be read and leave a viewing space on the tube so the content level can be easily ascertained.
- The remaining labels may be used by your facility or by the OSPHL. *Do not remove any unused labels from the form before submitting.*



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