

## **Laboratory Testing Collection Reference**

## **Order of Blood Collection**



\*\*\*\*\*Remember to thoroughly MIX all specimens by inversion 8-10 times as soon as possible

## **Labeling Lab Specimens**



- Place labels lengthwise
  - No flags or tails if possible
- Can visualize how much blood is in the tube
- 2 patient identifiers (usually name and DOB)
- Required collectors' information
- Meditech mnemonic of collector
- Date and time of collection
- Non-blood: include source information specific source detail.
  - Examples:
    - Sputum expectorated
    - Synovial fluid right knee
    - Urine foley cath

\*\*\*\*Help keep your coworkers safe!!!! Please remove all needles from syringes and secure with a sterile stopper. The laboratory will NOT ACCEPT syringes with needles.