

## Urine Testing

- Infection control procedures apply
- Wear suitable protective equipment, especially gloves
- Ensure the person's privacy and dignity
- Having acquired the urine specimen from the client in the proper manner:
  - Using urine reagent sticks, having checked the manufacturer's instructions
  - Open the reagent stick container
  - Remove a reagent stick - do not touch the coloured reagent pad/s!
  - Replace the container lid
  - Completely immerse the reagent pad/s into the urine specimen for a short while
  - Withdraw the pad/s from the urine and to get rid of excess urine, gently tap the stick against the side of the specimen container
  - You must be sure of the exact time you took the stick out of the sample
  - Allow for the correct time to elapse according to the manufacturer's instructions
  - Immediately the correct time has elapsed, compare the colour of the pad/s with the colour chart provided
  - Make a note of the result
  - Dispose of the used reagent stick in the clinical waste
  - Dispose of the urine sample according to your internal procedure for such
  - Take appropriate action based upon the result of the urine test

