



MEHARRY MEDICAL COLLEGE

Sickle Cell • CENTER

School of Medicine

Collection and Handling of Samples for Hemoglobin Identification

Proper collection and handling of specimens are essential when sending samples to the Meharry Sickle Cell Center (MSCC). The procedure described below must be followed to assure safe transit and compliance with Occupational Safety Health Administration (OSHA) and CLIA 88 standards as well as postal regulations.

On a regular basis and also upon request, the MSCC mails to different Health Care Agencies in the State of Tennessee, all supplies needed for blood collection and mailing of blood specimens to the MSCC for the purpose of hemoglobinopathy testing.

If you need MSCC blood collection supplies, please contact us by either e-mail sickle_cell@mmc.edu, fax 615.327.6008 or phone 615.327.6763 with your request as follows:

Supplies Needed

- Request Forms: Adult and Children
- Microvette Tube EDTA
- Plastic Bags
- Styrofoam Mailing Boxes

Please note that you can download the Hemoglobinopathy Testing Laboratory Request Form at the top of this page (forms are available in English and Spanish).