

What's Next

Our program will conduct a 30 day pilot with a small number of submitters during February 2024. Pilot participants were chosen based on various factors such as location, specimen volume, and transit times. Piloting this change with a small group will help us streamline and improve the process for everyone else.

Once the pilot is complete, we will begin implementing courier pickups in two phases – Eastern Washington locations followed by Western Washington locations. Midwives can begin using drop off services right away.

What to Expect

All birth centers and birthing hospitals will be provided courier services. The cost is covered in the NBS fee. The pickup frequency for each submitter will be determined by their specimen volume. Submitters who average more than one specimen per day will have scheduled pickups Monday – Saturday. Submitters who average less than one specimen per day will have on-demand pickups. Specimens will be delivered to the NBS laboratory overnight Monday – Saturday. Pickups and drop offs are not available on Sundays.

Midwives will have access to drop off courier services via FedEx or UPS. Each provider must select their preferred courier and NBS staff will supply the necessary pre-paid shipping labels and envelopes.



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We Need Your Input

We need your help! Our program needs the following information to provide the courier services to you.

Birth Centers and Hospitals

Please use the link or QR code below to provide information necessary to establish your facility's pickups.

<https://redcap.link/wanbscourier>



Midwives

Please email our program at wanbscourier@doh.wa.gov with your submitter ID number, shipping address, and preferred courier.

Learn more about drop off services here (www.doh.wa.gov/nbscourier) .

Thank you.