CONSIDERATIONS:
- Consult with your veterinarian to determine the correct type of swab and transport media for your desired diagnostics.
- Submit individual samples unless instructed otherwise.
- When restraining finisher or adult animals, be sure the snare is far enough back to not close the nasal passages.
- Avoid swabbing aggressively. Blood can interfere with sample testing.
- For safety, be aware of pen surroundings for hazards and curious animals when collecting samples.
- Use personal protective equipment.
- Use clean supplies to avoid sample contamination.
- Label samples with permanent marker.

SUPPLIES:
- Sterile swab
- Snap cap tube (with appropriate transport media)

ANIMAL RESTRAINT: (PERSON 1)
Depending on size of animal, refer to piglet restraint instructions or finisher or adult restraint instructions on restraint page.

COLLECTION INSTRUCTIONS: (PERSON 2)

STEP 1.
Insert sterile swab deep in nostril.

STEP 2.
Rotate swab for 5 seconds in nostril. Avoid causing trauma and bleeding.

STEP 3.
Remove swab.

STEP 4.
Repeat process in other nostril.

STEP 5.
Put swab into snap cap tube. Vigorously swirl. Remove the swab while pressing it along the side. Promptly chill samples for shipment.

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS:
Refer to sample submission instructions on sample submission page.