# **Sending CSF Samples**

Belay Summit<sup>™</sup> multi-analyte tDNA in CSF

Belay Vantage

MGMT promoter methylation in CSF



### 1 COLLECTION

 Collect the patient sample in a standard CSF tube following collection site protocol with ≥ 6mLof CSF total for the Summit<sup>™</sup> and Vantage<sup>™</sup> tests ordered either individually or combined. The sample can be sent in one or multiple tubes.

Belay does not require any special tubes, only those used in your institution's standard CSF collection process. Tubes intended for blood will result in sample rejection.

**LABEL THE TUBES** with the date of collection and include at least two unique patient identifiers [e.g., patient name, date of birth, medical record number]. Patient identifiers should match those used on the Test Requisition Form (TRF) to avoid delays.

#### **2 TRANSPORT TEMPERATURE AND TRACKING**

1. Maintain specimen at room temperature.

**DO NOT** refrigerate or freeze the specimen or the provided gel blanket.

- 2. Open the Belay shipping kit, removing the lid of the inner cooler and the contents of the kit. Find the temperature tracker attached to the outside of the biohazard bag or within the Styrofoam cooler.
- 3. Activate the temperature tracker by folding, then pulling the indicator's activation tab until the tab and barrier film are completely removed from the device. Ensure the tracker is attached to the biohazard bag.



Belay shipping kits are certified for ambient shipping and have been tested at extreme temperatures. These trackers provide additional safeguards against compromised samples.

#### 3 PACKAGING

 Insert the labeled tubes into the absorbent sleeve. Place the sleeve into the provided biohazard bag and seal.



2. Keeping the gel blanket at room temperature, wrap it around the bagged tubes, place it together inside the Styrofoam container, and close the lid.

**REMEMBER:** Gel blanket should not be frozen or refrigerated. All contents of kit should be kept at room temperature.



#### **4** TEST REQUISITION FORM

1. Place the TRF, signed informed consent, and other clinical reports (e.g., pathology report and genomic profiling report) on top of the Styrofoam container and close the outer lid of the Belay shipping kit.

MISSING FORMS OR CLINICAL INFORMATION MAY RESULT IN DELAYS. Please do not adhere labels or include protected health information on the outside of the shipping kit.

#### 5 SHIPPING

- 1. Place the kit inside the provided FedEx bag, seal, and add the FedEx label.
- Schedule pickup with FedEx [800-G0-FEDEX] or include this shipment in your organization's standard pickup procedures. The specimen must be shipped within 24 hours of collection and received at Belay Diagnostics within 48 hours of collection.

## SAMPLES RECEIVED AFTER 48 HOURS OF COLLECTION MAY BE REJECTED.

If a collection occurs the day before a holiday, on a Friday, or cannot be shipped within 24 hours, please contact Belay Diagnostics Customer Service team at contact@belaydiagnostics.com for specialized shipping instructions or courier pickup.





