**SIGNIFY STREP A TEST**

Extraction Reagent (ER) Control, Positive and Negative External liquid QC must be performed and documented each time a new test kit, a new bottle of reagent or a new canister of dipsticks is opened. Write open date and initials on box, reagent bottles and on Dipstick canister (with expiration date) with permanent marker to denote it has been QC’d. USE BLACK OR BLUE INK PEN ONLY.

**Instruction Notes:**

1. The Strep A kit lot # and expiration date can be found on the test kit box.
2. The Strep A Test Dipstick lot # can be found on the canister. The expiration date is the date the test dipsticks expire after opening for 12 months.
3. The lot # and expiration date of external control can be found on the control vial.
4. This extraction reagent control result is **Pass** if the color of the liquid changes from red to pale yellow as you add Reagent 2 to Reagent 1. The control result is **Fail** if the color of the liquid remains red.
5. The internal positive procedural control result is **Pass** if the red line appears in the control region (C). The control result is **Fail** if the red line is absent in the control region (C).
6. The internal negative background control result is **Pass** if there is presence of a clear background or a white /light pink background in the (T) region. The control result is **Fail** if background color appears and interferes with interpretation of test results in the (T) region.
7. The External control result is **Positive** if two distinct red lines (C) and (T) are present. If only the red line appears in the (C), the control result is **Negative**.
8. The lot # and expiration date of the extraction reagent 1 or reagent 2 can be found on the reagent vial.