Generic instructions for malaria rapid test dipstick. Modify for specific product

1. FIRST, read carefully these instructions.

2. Collect:
   1) alcohol
   2) cotton
   3) gloves
   4) lancet
   5) tube wells
   6) buffer
   7) timer

3. Look at the expiry date at the back of the package.
   Use another package if expiry date has passed.

4. Open the package and look for the following:
   1) Desiccant
   2) Dipstick
   3) Tube

5. Clean the patient’s finger with alcohol.
   The finger MUST be dry before pricking.

6. Prick the patient’s finger to get a small drop of blood.

7. Touch the tip of the tube to the blood until the tube is half full.

8. Immediately touch the tip of the tube with blood on the dipstick where the arrow is pointing.

9. Dispose of tube in sharps container.

10. Put four (4) drops of buffer into the tube well.

11. Place the dipstick with blood into the tube well where you have put buffer drops.
    Leave for fifteen (15) minutes.

12. Read results exactly fifteen (15) minutes after adding buffer.
    Do not read the results before fifteen (15) minutes. Reading too early or too late can give false results.

13. HOW TO READ:

   NEGATIVE (no malaria)
   - one control line.

   POSITIVE falciparum malaria
   - two lines.
   It is positive even if second line is light.

   NO RESULT
   - no control line
   If the control line does NOT appear, any other lines should be disregarded. The test should be repeated!

14. Record Results.

15. Dispose of infectious waste properly.

Use new package and lancet for each patient.