Genitourinary Grossing Guidelines

**Specimen Type:** GENITOURINARY (GU) HARDWARE

**Comment:** If tissue is attached to hardware received by the GU service, do not submit the tissue for microscopic exam. These cases are gross only. An exception can be made if there is a specific request from the ordering clinician or a pathologist. In the case of transplant catheters, the attached tissue can only be submitted if requested by the clinician or approved by Attending.

Examples of GU hardware are the following:
- peritoneal dialysis catheter
- old permacatheter
- PD catheter
- ureteral stent
- explanted ureteral stent
- any other GU hardware.

**Gross Template:**
Labeled with the patient’s name (***), medical record number (***), designated “***”, and received unfixed is [describe hardware] measuring *** x *** x *** cm. There is the following medical inscription: “***”. A photograph is taken. The specimen is for gross examination only.

**Cassette Submission:** Gross only – no cassettes submitted