Metabolic Diseases (i.e: Gout, Cystinosis, Storage Disease)

Arrangements

- If the specimen has a suspected metabolic disease, contact the F.C. Blodi Eye Pathology Laboratory, **PRIOR TO REMOVAL OF THE SPECIMEN** for special fixation instructions.
  - Tissues must be collected in 100% ethanol.
  - If tissues are collected in a fixative containing water, the crystals will dissolve.
- Each specimen is different and must be handled on a case by case basis. Contact the F.C. Blodi Eye Pathology Laboratory for instructions (319)-335-7095.
- Send the specimen and consultation request form to the address listed under General Information on Collection and Handling of Specimens.