

PROTECTING PRIVACY

Personal information is collected on the fingerprint form. On the separate FTA® card*, a biological sample (blood, buccal or hair) is collected, along with another set of fingerprints.



Fingerprint Form

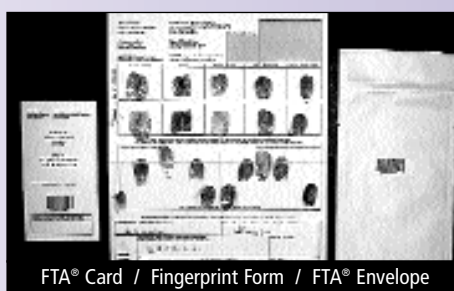


FTA® Card



Inside FTA® Card

There is no personal information on the FTA® card. The fingerprint form is linked to the FTA® card by a unique bar code. This approach secures the data and protects the privacy of the individual.



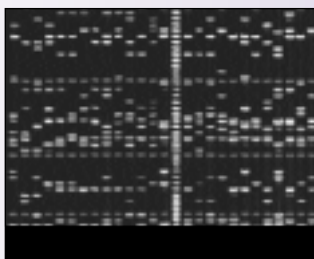
FTA® Card / Fingerprint Form / FTA® Envelope

When the NDDB receives the kit, the fingerprints on the FTA® card are matched to the fingerprint form and the donor is verified. The bar code number is logged into the NDDB.



The FTA® card is separated from the personal information

The biological sample is sent to the laboratory for DNA analysis and the profile is entered into the NDDB.



The fingerprint form is sent to the Information and Identification Services and logged onto the system.

*FTA® paper is impregnated with special chemicals that preserve and protect the biological sample (DNA) while neutralizing harmful bacteria and viruses. The samples can be safely collected and efficiently processed with automation while enabling long-term storage at room temperature.