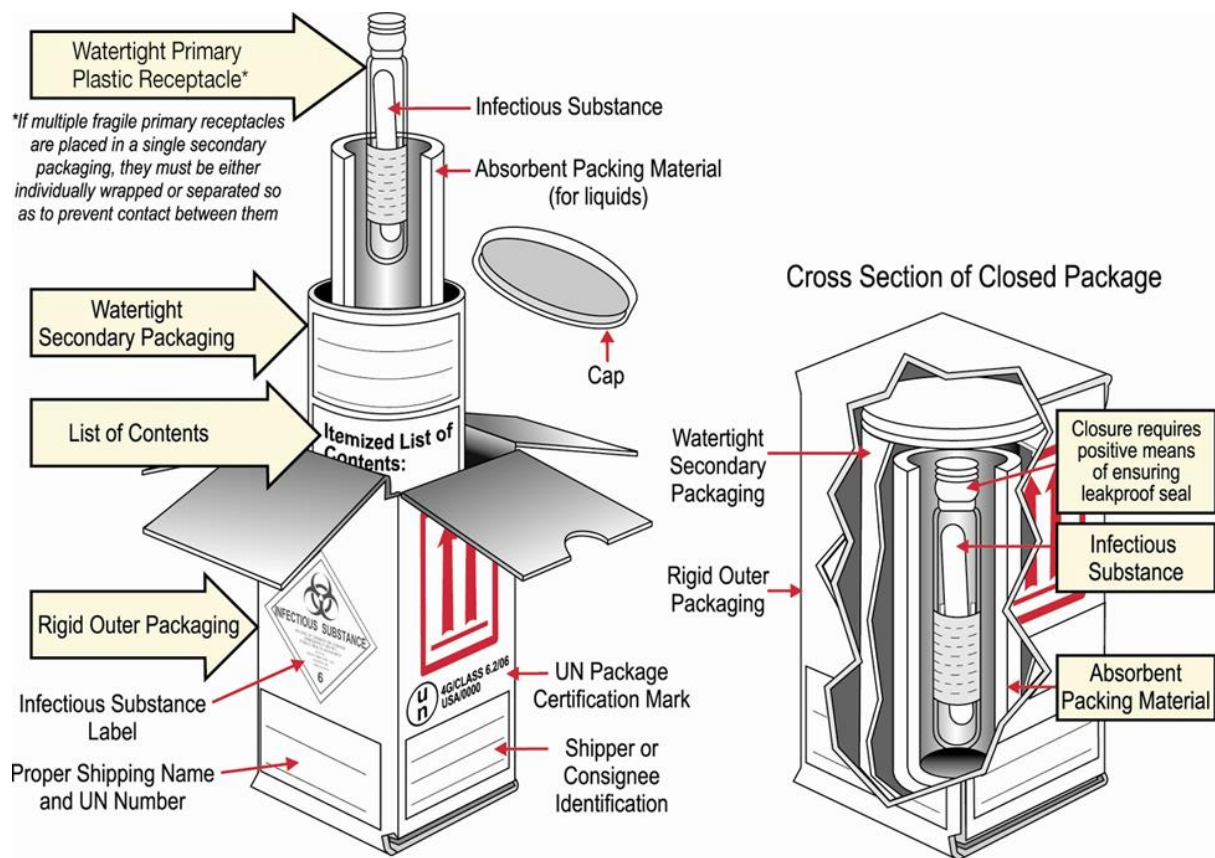


## APPENDIX I SPECIMEN TRANSPORT ILLUSTRATION



### Triple Layer Packaging

(Image Courtesy: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention)

#### Basic triple packaging system:

This system of packaging shall be used for all infectious substances. It consists of three layers as follows:

- **Primary receptacle:** A primary watertight, leak-proof receptacle containing the specimen. The receptacle is packaged with enough absorbent material to absorb all fluid in case of breakage or leakage.
- **Secondary packaging:** A second durable, watertight, leak-proof packaging to enclose and protect the primary receptacle(s). Several cushioned primary receptacles may be placed in one secondary packaging, but sufficient additional absorbent material shall be used to absorb all fluid in case of breakage or leakage.
- **Outer packaging:** Secondary packaging is placed in outer shipping packaging's with suitable cushioning material. Outer packaging protects their contents from outside influences, such as physical damage, while in transit. The smallest overall external dimension shall be 10 x 10 cm.