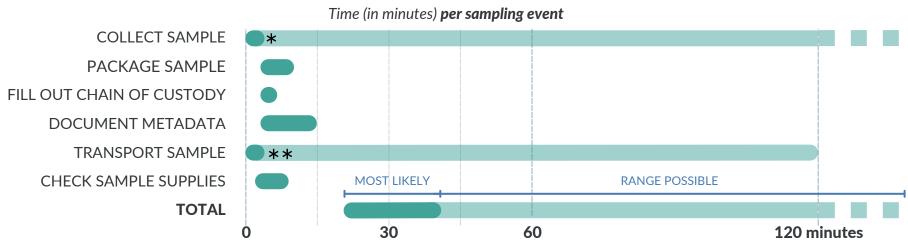
## HOW LONG SHOULD IT TAKE TO COLLECT, PACKAGE, AND SHIP SAMPLES?

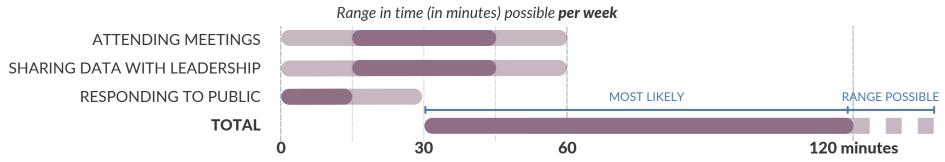
The time required to collect, package, and ship samples for each wastewater surveillance sampling event will depend on where samples are collected, what metadata are required, and how samples are transported to the lab. The least labor-intensive approach, requiring 20 to 40 minutes per sampling event, is to collect samples at the influent to a water resource recovery facility already equipped with an autosampler and rely on courier pickup for sample transport. Consideration should also be given to the time required for meetings, answering questions from the public, and other "optional" activities.

## **CORE ACTIVITIES**



<sup>\*</sup> Collection times will be short if using samples that are already being collected at the facility influent via autosampler, but can be substantially longer for new samples, particularly if travel to upstream manholes or pumping stations is required

## **OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES**





<sup>\*\*</sup> Sample transportation will be very short for samples being picked up by a courier, but substantially longer for samples that need to be driven to a shipping center