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## *Instructions for collecting a Stool Sample*

### **Delivery Instructions**

Please bring the stool specimen to the main hospital laboratory before registering in Outpatient Registration. The lab will let you know if there is enough specimen to do the tests.

*We need one-teaspoon sample for each test ordered.*

### **Specimen Requirements**

You must bring the stool specimens to the laboratory within two hours of the time they were collected. DO NOT refrigerate the stool.

### **Exceptions**

Clostridium Difficile Toxin or Rotovirus:

If a Clostridium Difficile Toxin, Rotovirus, or both is ordered and NO OTHER TESTS, we will accept samples within an eight-hour period if kept refrigerated.

Occult blood:

If ONLY an occult blood is ordered we will accept samples up to one week if kept refrigerated.

## *Pinworm Collection Instructions*

1. Get pinworm collection paddle from your doctor's office or hospital laboratory.
2. Collect specimen first thing in the morning before bath or bowel movement.
3. Put the labeled sticky side of the pinworm paddle onto the sides of the rectal opening.
4. After collection, put the paddle in the transport tube and bring to the lab for examination.

**Your doctor will receive the results of your tests  
within five to seven days.**

*If you have any questions about specimen collection  
call the laboratory at 924-8271.*