

Collection Procedure – **Stool**

Your referring provider has asked that you provide a stool sample for analysis. You can help insure the accuracy of the analysis by following these instructions carefully.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Consult with your physician to verify when the specimen is to be collected and tested. To obtain a sterile specimen container, please contact the Laboratory.

1. Stool specimens should be passed into the basin provided, be sure that the basin is clean and dry.
2. Use gloves and the tool provided to transfer stool to the sterile specimen container. A minimum of 60-80 mL (half of the specimen container) is preferred.
3. Indicate name, date and time of collection on container and the form located below.

4. Return the Specimen to the laboratory within 1 ½ hours of collection. Do Not Refrigerate.

5. If you are unable to deliver the specimen to the Laboratory within 1 ½ hour, please contact the lab **prior to collection** to make alternative arrangements.

6. It is a requirement to check in with registration when dropping off specimens as some tests require blood work as well.

Please Note:

7. Stool specimens transferred from the toilet bowl to the container are not acceptable.
8. Stool specimens mixed with urine, residual soap, or disinfectants are also not acceptable.

If you have any questions or concerns about collection or the tests being performed, please contact the laboratory at: (541) 426-5308.

Please provide the following information and return this form with your specimen.

Name:	Date of Birth:
Collection Date:	Collection time: