



Patient Instructions

Stool Collection for Children in Diapers

Your health care provider has requested a stool specimen.

In order to produce a meaningful laboratory test result, follow these instructions exactly.

Collection

Stool collection containers and a children's urine collection kit will be provided.

Do not collect sample directly from the diaper as urine, detergents, and perfumes will interfere with test results. Please fill all the containers provided.

1. Line the diaper with plastic wrap (e.g. Saran Wrap™).
2. Place the urine collection bag on the child following the instructions provided with the bag.
3. Put the plastic-lined diaper on the child.
4. Within 30 minutes of a bowel movement, remove stool from the plastic wrap.
5. Follow Steps 2-7 of the Copan Fecal Swab Collection Instructions and/or Steps 4-7 of the Stool Collection instructions depending on which containers and collection instructions you have been provided.
6. Remove the urine collection bag and discard.

Labelling

1. Label each container with the child's name, date of birth, and date of collection.

Packaging

1. Place the container in the bag provided and securely close the bag.
2. Fold any paperwork and place in the external pocket of the specimen transport bag. This ensures the specimen will not leak onto the paperwork.

Storage and Transport

Refrigerate specimen and return it to the lab on the same day of collection. If the specimen is collected overnight, return it to the lab as soon as possible in the morning. Delays may affect test results.