

Stool Fecal Swab

Patient Instructions

Copan Fecal Swab Collection Instructions

These instructions pertain to the Copan Fecal Swab container.

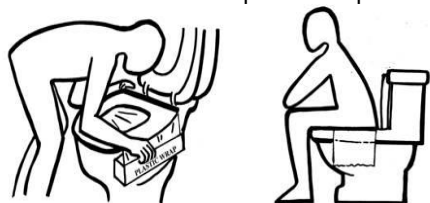
Refer to separate set of instructions if you have received other collection container(s).

Warning: **Do not** discard or ingest the liquid Cary-Blair media.

- 1** Urinate into the toilet if needed.



- 2** Lift toilet seat. Place sheets of plastic wrap (e.g., Saran Wrap™) over the toilet bowl, leaving a slight dip in the center. Place the toilet seat down. Pass stool onto plastic wrap.



Alternatively, use a clean bowl or sterilized bedpan. Do not let urine, water or toilet paper touch the stool specimen.

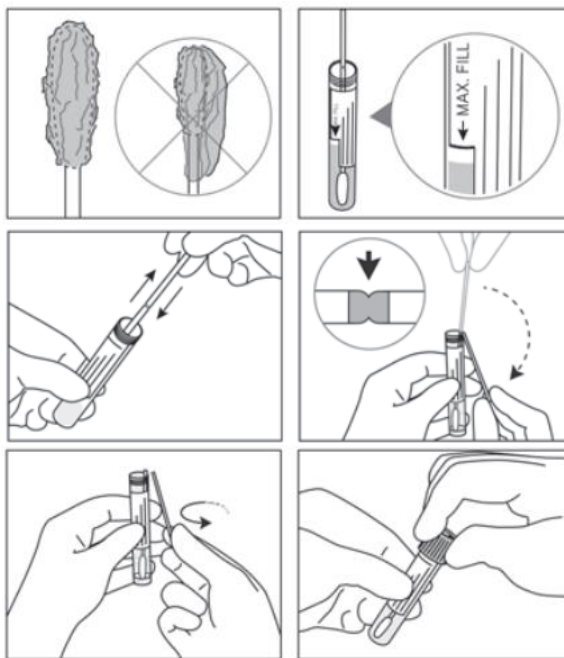


- 3** Carefully peel back packaging and remove the swab. Handle swab only above the marked portion. **DO NOT** touch the portion below the marking as this will contaminate the specimen.



- 4** Collect a small amount of stool by inserting the tip of the flocked swab into the stool specimen and rotating. Bloody, slimy, or liquid portions of the stool should be selected. Do not use the swab as a paddle or scoop. Do not collect excessive amounts of stool.

- 5** Insert the swab into the tube and agitate against the side of the tube. Break off swab at marking. **Tighten cap securely and shake to mix.** Observe the max fill line; **DO NOT overfill the specimen.**



- 6** Wash hands with soap and water. Write your First and Last Name and Date of Birth or Health Card Number on the container label, using the same format as your government issued ID. Write the Date and Time of collection on the container label. Place container into plastic bag and seal.



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

