

Instruction for Stool Specimen Collection Kit (3 bottles)

You have been given a collection kit with 3 bottles, 2 of the bottles have liquid in them (pink & blue tops); this liquid is poisonous so KEEP OUT OF REACH of children, the third bottle (white top) doesn't have any liquid in it.

1. All three bottles will be used for the SAME stool specimen. Make sure to label each bottle with your name, date and time of stool collection.
2. The stool should be passed on to a clean, DRY container; you can use a clean margarine tub or a clean milk carton with the top cut off or a large plastic bag. Do NOT contaminate the stool specimen with urine and do NOT retrieve stool specimen from the toilet bowl.
3. After passing the stool onto clean surface open each bottle and using the collection spoon built into the lid of the bottle place small scoops of stool from the areas which appear bloody, slimy or watery into the bottle until the contents rise to the RED LINE. If stool is formed (hard) try to get small amounts of stool from both ends of the stool and collect some stool from the middle.
4. Mix contents of the bottles with the spoon, then twist the cap tightly closed and shake the bottle vigorously until contents are well mixed. Keep the 2 bottles (pink and blue bottles) at room temperature. The white capped bottle goes into the refrigerator.

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5. Make sure all caps are on tightly; all bottles are labeled with your name and time of collection and check off the box that most looks like your stool sample on the label.
6. Wash your hands thoroughly.
7. Store at room temperature.
8. Bring the sample into the clinic promptly.