

## Blanchard Valley Health System Laboratory Services

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### Pinworm Collection Instructions for Outpatients (LTR27578)

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#### Instructions for Smear Collection for Pinworm for Outpatients

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These instructions are for the collection of Pinworm samples using Scotch tape kit.

##### SCOTCH TAPE PREP

- 1) Please pick up the required glass slides and cellophane tape from the Outpatient Lab
- 2) Take a piece of clear (un-frosted) Scotch (Not Magic Transparent) Tape approximately 2-3 inches long.
- 3) Hold the tape between thumb and forefinger with sticky side facing outward.
- 4) This test is to be performed before the patient has arisen from bed in the morning (preferably while the child is still asleep) and before bathing or going to the bathroom.
- 5) Press the sticky side of the tape against the skin across the anal opening with even, thorough pressure.
- 6) Gently place the sticky side of the tape down against the surface of the glass slide.
- 7) Label the slide with the patients name and date of collection.
- 8) Place the slide(s) in the provided cardboard slide container and return to the lab as soon as possible
- 9) Please wash your hands thoroughly after collection, to prevent the spread of infection.

These instructions are for the collection of Pinworm samples using paddle kit.

##### PINWORM PADDLE KIT

- 1) Please pick up the required Collection Kit from the Outpatient Lab.
- 2) This test is to be performed before the patient has arisen from bed in the morning (preferably while the child is still asleep) and before bathing or going to the bathroom.
- 3) Remove the cap from the vial to reveal the attached collection paddle.
- 4) One side of the paddle is marked: "sticky side".
- 5) Press the sticky surface of the paddle against the peri-anal skin and anal opening of the patient with moderate pressure.
- 6) Place the paddle back in the vial and screw on the lid.
- 7) Label the vial with the patient's name and date and time of collection, etc.
- 8) Please, wash your hands thoroughly after collection, to prevent the spread of infection.
- 9) Return the specimen to the Out patient lab with any paperwork from the doctor or Lab.

**PLEASE write YOUR NAME, BIRTHDATE, THE DATE AND TIME OF COLLECTION, YOUR DOCTOR'S NAME on the specimen label so that we can effectively process your specimen for testing.**

Should you have any questions for Blanchard Valley Hospital Out Patient Laboratory, please call 419-423-5328, or questions for Bluffton Hospital Out Patient Laboratory, please call 419-369-2314