

# Patient Collection Instructions

## Pinworm Collection

### Introduction

Your doctor has asked that you collect a specimen for pinworm testing as part of your child's care. Important health decisions may depend on the results of this test. These directions will help you collect and transport the specimen properly.

### What you will need

A Pinworm Paddle Vial. These are available from your physician's office or Dayton Children's Laboratory or a Testing Site.

### When to collect the specimen

The best time to collect the sample is early in the morning before your child awakes. Just before getting out of bed.

### How to collect the specimen

1. Remove cap in which is inserted an optically clear plastic paddle with one side coated with a non-toxic mildly adhesive material. This side is marked "sticky side". Do not touch this surface with the fingers.
2. Press the sticky surface against the skin around the anal opening with moderate pressure.
3. Return the paddle to the vial and tighten the lid.
4. Write the child's name and date of birth on the label.
5. Return the Pinworm Paddle to DAYTON CHILDREN'S LABORATORY or TESTING CENTER.

If you have any questions, please call Dayton Children's Laboratory Services  
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