Puritan® Fecal Opti-Swab® Collection & Transport System Stool sample collection instructions

PRODUCTS: Each Puritan® Fecal Opti-Swab® Collection and Transport System includes a sterile pre-labeled polypropylene screw cap vial containing 2 ml of Fecal Opti-Swab® medium and one HydraFlock® swab.

PRECAUTIONS:

- · For single use only.
- For use by trained, qualified personnel.
- Do not use the device if the sterile pouch seal is damaged.
- Refer to the package insert for instructions and full list of precautions.

DIRECTIONS FOR USE (STOOL SPECIMEN COLLECTION):

- Have the patient pass stool into a clean, dry pan or a special container mounted on the toilet.
- 2. Peel open sterile pouch (Fig. 1) and remove the vial of medium and the HydraFlock® swab. (Fig. 2) Do not touch the swab tip.
- Collect a small amount of stool by inserting entire tip of the HydraFlock® swab into stool sample and rotate it. Bloody, slimy or watery area of stools should be selected and sampled. (Fig. 3)
- 4. Withdraw and examine to make sure there is fecal material visible on the swab tip.
- 5. Using appropriate aseptic technique, remove the vial cap and insert the swab into the vial. (Fig. 4) Visually confirm the "Max Fill" line is not exceeded. (Fig. 5) If the sample exceeds the "Max Fill" line, the sample should be discarded and a second sample should be collected.
- 6. Holding the swab shaft between thumb and finger, mash and mix the stool specimen against the side of the vial to evenly disperse and suspend the specimen in the medium. (Fig. 6)
- 7. Place the swab shaft with the breakpoint against the rim of the vial. Bend and break the swab shaft at the breakpoint. (Fig. 7)
- 8. Replace the vial cap, securing tightly. Shake secured vial to assure sample is uniformly diluted. (Fig. 8) Record patient information in the space provided on the vial label (Fig. 9) and transport the specimen to the laboratory.



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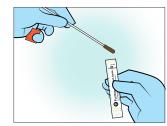


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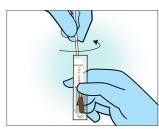


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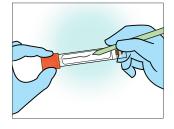


Fig. 9

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