

INDIANA STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH LABORATORIES 550 W. 16th STREET, SUITE B INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46202-2203 (317) 921-5500

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Patient's Address*				County*	
Attending Physician (if not included below) Address					
Required Specimen Information			(Please Print or Type) Name and Address for Report*		
Date Collected*			<u>Name</u>	and Address for Re	<u>port"</u>
First Patient Specimen?	☐ Yes [□ No			
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(specify)	☐ Food Se	ervice Worker	Fax Number:* ()	
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Instructions are on the Reverse Side LABORAT		DRY REPORT Do Not Write Below These Lines			
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ENTERIC BACTERIOLOGY

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Submission of Specimens – ISDH Container No. 7A – Enteric Bacteriology: Examination of Fecal Specimens for enteric pathogens.

Specimens are routinely examined for *Salmonella*, *Shigella*, *Campylobacter*, and *E. coli* 0157:H7. Rectal swabs cannot be examined due to inadequate material. For other enteric pathogens and/or additional information, please call (317) 921-5500.

Before using kit, check the expiration date of the container. **Do not use kit past the expiration date or specimen will not be tested.** If you have expired kits, notify the facility from which they were acquired and request an exchange.

The mailing container includes a request form, a spoon for handling the fecal specimen, and one specimen bottle, labeled *Cary Blair*. Do not use this kit if it does not contain the specimen bottle. Feces must be added to the preservative. Handle the bottle carefully to avoid spilling or splashing the contents. Any spills should be absorbed with paper towels and discarded as trash. If the fluid contacts the skin, wash with soap and water. If fluid contacts the eye, flush with water for several minutes. The fluid is not poisonous, but could be an irritant to sensitive individuals. Return any spilled kits to the facility from which they were obtained.

INSTRUCTIONS

7A ENTERIC CONTAINER

PLEASE READ AND FOLLOW CAREFULLY

- 1. Fill out the upper half of the request form completely including patient name and collection date. **TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.** The report will be returned to the health care provider whose address is in the space designated for **Name and Address for Report.**
- 2. Collect feces in a clean, dry container such as a plastic cup. DO NOT MIX URINE WITH FECES.
- 3. Open the inner container, remove the specimen bottle, and remove the screw cap. Use the plastic spoon to pick up ONLY TWO HEAPING SPOONSFULL of solid feces or FOUR SPOONSFULL IF THE SPECIMEN IS LIQUID. Place the feces into the open bottle, secure cap VERY TIGHTLY (write the patient name and collection date on the bottle or the specimen will not be tested). Replace the bottle into the metal container and secure the metal screw cap firmly.
- 4. DISCARD THE PLASTIC SPOON AND REMAINING FECES.
- 5. Fold and wrap the completed request form <u>around the outside</u> of the metal container and place into the outer mailing tube. Secure lid firmly. Mail or transport **PROMPTLY** and unrefrigerated to the laboratory.