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Patient Instructions

Para-Fix stool collection kit

- **1.** Read and follow all instructions carefully. Proper use of the kit will assist in obtaining accurate results.
- **2.** This kit contains a vial containing liquid. The solution in the vial is poisonous. Do not drink. Keep out of reach of children.
- **3.** In case of skin or eye contact, flush with water. If irritation persists, contact a physician. In case of swallowing, call a physician immediately. If conscious, give milk or egg white beaten with water. Do not induce vomiting.
- **4.** Do not use laxatives before collecting the sample. Collect the specimen in a clean, dry wide mouthed container, such as a bedpan or a waste basket lined with a plastic bag. A clean, dry piece of newspaper or wax paper may also be used.
- **5.** Do not pass the specimen into the toilet. Do not urinate on the specimen. Do not pass the specimen directly into vial.
- **6.** Use spoon built into the vial cap or the wooden stick(if provided) to transfer small samples from areas that appear bloody, slimy, or watery. If the specimen is firm, take samples from both ends and the middle. Continue adding samples until the liquid level, reaches the red fill line.
- **7.** Mix the content of the vial with the spoon or stick. Recap the vial, making sure the lid is tight. Shake the vial until the contents are well mixed.
- **8.** If an empty vial is provided, fill with sample as directed and recap. Do not mix or shake the contents.
- **9.** Fill out the information requested on the side of the vial label. Check the box that most closely resembles the specimen you just collected. Return the collection kit to your physician or laboratory.
- **10.** Wash hands thoroughly after use.