



PINWORM COLLECTION

Pinworm collection kits (paddle) are available from our Supplies Department.

Specimen should be obtained before therapy has begun. Note on the requisition if therapy has been initiated prior to specimen collection.

Optimal specimen is obtained by separating the buttocks and pressing the sticky surface of the paddle against several areas of the perianal region. Because of the migratory habits of the female pinworm, specimens are best obtained a few hours after the person has retired, between 9 p.m. and midnight; or in the morning before rising, bathing, or a bowel movement.

Specimens should be refrigerated if examination is delayed more than one day.