Pinworm Prep Collection Instructions

Collect specimen as follows using the Falcon SWUBE Pinworm Paddle:

1. The specimen is best obtained between the hours of 9 p.m. and midnight, or upon waking and before any bowel movement or bath.
2. Hold the collection paddle by the cap and remove it from the tube.
3. Separate your buttocks and press the tacky surface against several areas of the perianal region (the area around your anus).
4. Place the paddle back into the tube for transport to laboratory.
5. Label tube with the patient’s name, date of birth (or hospital medical record number – if known), the date and time you collected the specimen, and the collector’s initials.
6. If there is a delay in transport of less than 1 day, the specimen will need to be sent refrigerated.
7. Return the specimen(s) to your clinic's laboratory as soon as possible.
8. Generally, testing takes about 48-hours after receipt of the specimen(s) at the laboratory.
9. Only abnormal specimen results will be reported to you (by your ordering physician or a clinic representative).

*Note: Pinworm eggs are VERY infectious. Make sure you wash hands thoroughly with soap and water after obtaining the specimen collection.