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| **Test** | **Order Code** | **Acceptable Specimen** | **Can NOT Use For Testing** | **Stability** |
| Biofire GI Pathogen Panel | GIPAN | Cary Blair only (green lid) | Clean Container, PVA, formalin | Ambient – 4 days |
| Blood/RBCs | SOCB | Clean container only (white lid) | PVA, Formalin, Cary Blair or any other preservative | Ambient- 2 hours  Refrigerated- 3 days |
| Calprotectin | CALPRO | Clean container only (white lid) | PVA, Formalin, Cary Blair or any other preservative | Ambient – 11 days  Refrigerated -11 days  Frozen – 1 year |
| Clostridium difficile (toxin) | CDT | Clean container only (white lid) | PVA, Formalin, Cary Blair or any other preservative | Ambient – 24 hours  Refrigerated – 5 days |
| Culture | STLC | Cary Blair (preferred) or clean container (must be < 2 hours old) (green or white lid) | PVA, formalin | Unpreserved Stool – 2 hours room temp  Cary Blair (Green) – 72 hours room temp |
| Cryptosporidium/Giardia | GLCS | Cary Blair (preferred) or formalin (preferred) (green or pink lid) | PVA | Ambient – Send ASAP  Cary Blair – 2 weeks refrigerated  Formalin – 10 weeks room temp |
| Fat | SFAT | Clean container only (white lid) | PVA, Formalin, Cary Blair or any other preservative | Ambient- 2 hours  Refrigerated – 3 days |
| H. Pylori stool antigen | HPSA | Clean container only (white lid) | PVA, Formalin, Cary Blair or any other preservative | Ambient – Send ASAP  Refrigerated – 72 hours |
| Leukocytes/WBCs (Lactoferrin) | SWBC | Clean container only (white lid) | PVA, formalin, Cary Blair | Ambient – 2 hours  Refrigerated – 72 hours |
| Norovirus | NORO | Clean container only (white lid) | PVA, Formalin, Cary Blair or any other preservative | Refrigerated – 48 hours |
| O&P  Will only be done if physician indicates reason for comprehensive exam in place of GLCS *ON REQUISITION*. Valid reasons include:  Travel abroad  Immunocompromised  Intractable diarrhea | OAP | Zn-PVA (gray top only) AND 10% formalin (pink top) | Cary Blair, clean container | Ambient – 9 months  Refrigerated – 9 months  Frozen is UNACCEPTABLE |
| Pancreatic Elastase (Fecal Elastase) | ELAST | Clean container only (white lid) | PVA, Formalin, Cary Blair or any other preservative | Ambient – 1 week  Refrigerated – 1 week  Frozen – 1 year |
| pH | SPH | Clean container only (white lid) | PVA, Formalin, Cary Blair or any other preservative | Ambient – 1 hour  Refrigerated – 36 hours  Frozen – 1 week |
| Reducing Substances | REDS | Clean container only (white lid) | PVA, Formalin, Cary Blair or any other preservative | Refrigerated – 36 hours  Frozen – 1 week |
| Rotavirus | ROTA | Clean container only (white lid) | PVA, Formalin, Cary Blair or any other preservative | Ambient – 2 hours  Refrigerated – 3 days |