

C. Diff (Clostridium Difficile)

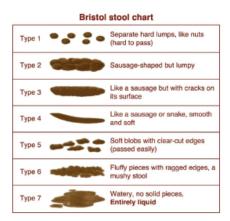
Collection Instructions for St. Elizabeth Healthcare

For collection at home, follow your healthcare provider's instructions about how to collect the sample.

Instructions:

- Wash hands before collecting sample.
- Place plastic "hat" on commode. Do not urinate in hat, or mix urine or toilet paper with sample.
 For stool collection only (do not retrieve stool sample from the toilet).
- Pour sample from hat into specimen cup, or use transfer device (paddle, wooden stick or plastic spoon) to place stool in provided plain container (no preservatives in conatainer).
- Only send stool that meets Type 5 or higher per chart.





- Place name and date of birth on the container. Keep paperwork separate from sample.
- Refrigerate sample and return to the lab within 24 hours.
- Wash your hands after collecting the sample.

All specimens must be delivered to the outpatient lab during business hours only. This reduces the chance of a recollect.

Your doctor will discuss the results of these tests with you on your return visit. If you have any questions regarding collection, you may call (859) 301-5649 or (859) 301-2170 for assistance.

