

Faecal Antigen Test for Helicobacter Pylori

Patient Instructions

PROCEDURE

- 1) Collect a small sample (5-10gms) in a standard brown top specimen container.
- 2) A scoop is provided inside the lid of the specimen container to assist in transferring the sample into the brown top container provided.
- 3) Ensure the following details are recorded on the label:
 - Patient's full name
 - Date of birth
 - Date and time of collection
- 4) Place the specimen into a sealed bag.
- 5) Deliver the specimen to a Clinpath collection centre within 24 hours.

NOTES

Prior to the test and with the permission of your doctor, you should avoid:

- Antibacterial/Antibiotic Klacid-HP7, Flagyl, Losec-HP7, Metrogyl **four (4) weeks** prior to the test.
- Proton Pump Inhibitors **two (2) weeks** prior to the test.
- Carafate, Ulcyte **two (2) weeks** prior to the test.
- Ulcer medication Tagamet or Zantac **six (6) hours** prior to the test.

The test is not affected by the use of antacids eg. Mylanta.

STORAGE CONDITIONS

Please refrigerate the sample until it can be delivered to the laboratory.

INFORMATION

For any further information or questions regarding this procedure please call Client Services on **(08) 8366 2000**