## Valley Medical Group Laboratory Pinworm Identification Collection Instructions

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Obtain a pinworm paddle collection vial from the lab draw station.

Stool specimens are not acceptable for pinworm examination

A specimen is best obtained first thing in the morning before bath or bowel movements; or one to three hours before going to bed.

Remove the lid and paddle assembly from the vial provided. Do not disconnect the paddle from the lid.

Touch the side noted "sticky side" of the paddle to the folds of skin around the anus.

Wash your hands thoroughly.

Label the container with the patient's name, date of birth, date and time of collection.

Keep the specimen at room temperature and deliver it to the laboratory as soon as the test collection is completed.

## Any questions please contact any Valley Medical Group Lab: Monday –Friday: 7:00am – 4:20pm

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