

## SPECIMEN REQUIRED CHANGE

**NOTIFICATION DATE:** September 3, 2010 **EFFECTIVE DATE:** October 4, 2010

## Clostridium difficile Toxin, Molecular Detection, PCR #83124

Fresh stool in a sterile container will no longer be accepted as of October 4, 2010. All specimens must be sent in a transport medium.

## **SPECIMEN REQUIRED:**

Fresh Stool in Transport Medium

Representative portion of stool specimen. (Formed stool or stool in gel transport medium is not acceptable.) Submit specimen in a commercially available transport system specific for recovery of enteric pathogens from fecal specimens (15 mL of non-nutritive transport medium containing phenol red as a pH indicator, either Cary-Blair, Para-Pak C&S, or buffered glycerol saline). Send specimen ambient. Forward promptly.

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