Pinworm Examination, Collection Instructions

Collection Notes:

- Specimens are best obtained a few hours after the person has retired, between the hours of 9 p.m. and midnight, or in the morning immediately upon rising before bathing or bowel movement.
- Collection of three to six consecutive daily specimens is recommended.
- Specimens should be obtained before therapy has begun.

Specimen Collection:

- 1. Hold the paddle by the cap and remove it from the tube.
- 2. Separate the buttocks and press the tacky surface against several areas of the perianal region.
- 3. Replace the paddle in the tube for transport to a Weland Clinical Laboratories site.
- 4. Specimens should be refrigerated if examination is to be delayed for more than one day.