

Manual of Administration

TOPIC: Support Services	SUBJECT: Fecal Specimen Collection	Code: SS171
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PURPOSE:

To provide a clean fecal sample for laboratory analysis when ordered by a health care provider.

PROCEDURE:

1. Follow collection and storage instructions for specific fecal test before using. LifeLabs (MDS Labs) can be called if any questions arise.
2. If you are able, plan the time of the sample collection.
3. Wash your hands thoroughly and apply disposable gloves.
 - 3.1. A disposable mask available if needed.
4. Explain the procedure to the person you are supporting in a reassuring manner.
 - 4.1. Provide the person with privacy if able to collect the sample on his/her own.
 - 4.2. If the person is not able to provide the sample independently the support worker will assist using the collection kit that is available.
 - 4.3. Install collection hat beneath the toilet seat, if one is provided, line with saran wrap.
5. At the end of the collection period, the container should be tightly sealed.
6. Remove and dispose of gloves according to Universal Precautions.
7. The sample should be brought to the LifeLabs (MDS Lab) as soon as possible to be examined by a Laboratory Technician.
8. Collection hat is reusable as long as it is cleaned using Universal Precautions. Collection hat only to be re-used by the same individual.