

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR CHILD SAMPLE COLLECTION

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Please assist us in obtaining the following samples from your child.

### Stool Sample

The stool sample should be frozen unless taken within 4 hours of delivery to BIS at the Geelong Hospital. Please keep the stool sample frozen until your BIS appointment and remained chilled during transportation.

#### Equipment Required:

- Brown capped specimen jar with scoop inside (included in pack)
- A large, thoroughly cleaned plastic container, such as a two litre ice-cream container
- Plastic bio-hazard bag (included)
- Ice pack (included)

#### PROCEDURES:

1. Place ice pack in your freezer prior to sample collection.
2. Get your child to empty their bladder before collecting the stool (poo) sample.
3. Place the large container in the toilet bowl, either on or above the surface of the water.
4. Get your child to empty their bowels directly into this large container.
5. Open specimen jar.



6. Using the scoop built into the lid of the specimen jar, collect a small amount of poo about the size of a twenty cent coin.



7. Place scooped poo sample into the specimen jar.



8. Discard the remaining poo.
9. Firmly screw the lid on the specimen container (taking care that it is not cross-threaded).



10. Place the sealed specimen jar in the plastic hazard bag provided and immediately store in your freezer, unless attending a BIS appointment within 4 hours.



