**Patient Instructions for Stool Blood Test**

**Before You Start the Test**

- Take one Collection Card out of the envelope.
- Write your name and birthday and collection date on the front of each card.

**Day 1: Doing the Test**

- You will collect two samples from the same stool.
- **Do not** collect stool sample from toilet bowl water.
- If available, use gloves to collect sample.

1. **URINATE BEFORE YOUR BOWEL MOVEMENT.**

2. **COLLECT THE STOOL IN A CLEAN, DRY CONTAINER. SUCH AS:**
   - Paper plate
   - Small cardboard box
   - Bucket lined with plastic bag

3. **OPEN THE COLLECTION CARD**
   - Use one of the sticks to take a **very small stool** sample.
   - Apply a **very thin smear** of stool on the top half of the window.
   - Use the other end of the same stick to take a second sample from a different part of the stool.
   - Put a **very thin smear** of the stool on the bottom half of the window.
   - Close the flap.

   You are done with the first sample!

**Handling the Sample**

- Throw away the stick in a wastebasket and the rest of the stool in the toilet.
- Allow the sample to air dry overnight at room temperature (for example, inside a cabinet). Does not need to be refrigerated.

**Days 2-3: Completing the Test**

- **Use the other two Collection Cards to collect samples on two more days.**
- Repeat Steps 1-3 from Day 1
- Allow each Collection Card with the sample to dry overnight.

**After the Test**

- Put all three Collection Cards into the specimen bag.
- Bring the completed Collection Kit to your clinic.

You have finished the test!

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