

## Patient Instructions for the Collection and Transport of Pinworm Prep

Specimens must be properly collected and transported in order for the test results to be valid. Please follow the directions below.

1. The Swube tube consists of a paddle with a sticky, "gummed" surface (labeled "sticky side") inserted into a plastic capped tube (obtain from physician).
2. The specimen is collected first thing in the morning before going to the bathroom or bathing.
3. To collect, the paddle is slowly pulled out of the tube and the sticky side is gently blotted against the skin surrounding the anus. This may require two or three blots.
4. The paddle is then placed in the plastic tube and returned to the laboratory for testing.

The Outpatient Laboratory at Central DuPage Hospital is open during the following days/hours:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday	6:30 am – 5:00 pm
Tuesday, Thursday	6:30 am – 6:30 pm
Saturday	8:00 am – 1:00 pm
Sunday	9:00 am – 12:00 pm

The Immediate Care Center Laboratories are open from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm daily, and are closed on holidays.

*The patient's name, date of birth, date and time of collection should be noted on the specimen container.*

If you have any questions, please call HealthLab Client Services at 630.933.2633.