

Stool sampling for clostridium difficile

Collect the sample at a time when you can take the sample to the laboratory on the same day or on the following morning at the latest.

Sampling equipment

For the collection of the sample, you have received a kidney tray or a similar container (such as a disposable plate), a sample container, a sealable plastic bag, and a sticker for recording your name and details.

Collecting the stool sample

Collect some stool (faeces) in the kidney tray or a similar container, for example a disposable plate. Place enough stool in the sample container to fill it half way. Close the sample container carefully. Write your name, identity code and the sampling date and time on the sticker. Attach the sticker to the sample container. Place the container in the plastic bag. Seal the plastic bag carefully.

If you are unable to deliver the sample to the laboratory on the same day, you can keep the sample at room temperature for 24 hours.

Additional information

If you have any questions, please call the service number on +358 9 471 86800 Mon–Fri, from 7.30 am to 3.30 pm. Please note that test results are not given over the telephone.