

### TEST STATUS

NOTIFICATION DATE: September 14, 2015 EFFECTIVE DATE: October 12, 2015

# BACTERIAL ENTERIC PATHOGENS, MOLECULAR DETECTION, PCR, FECES

Test ID: EPFRP

**EXPLANATION:** On the effective date this test will become obsolete and replaced by the recommended alternative below.

### **RECOMMENDED ALTERNATIVE TEST:**

## GASTROINTESTINAL PATHOGEN PANEL, PCR, FECES Test ID: GIP

**METHODOLOGY**: Multiplex Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) capable of qualitatively detecting DNA or RNA of 22 pathogens (bacteria, parasites and viruses) in approximately one hour from stool.

**REFERENCE VALUES:** Negative (for all targets)

#### **SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS:**

Specimen must arrive within 96 hours of collection.

**Specimen Type:** Preserved Stool

**Container/Tube:** Cary-Blair transport system: Specific for recovery of enteric pathogens from fecal specimens (15 mL of non-nutritive transport medium containing phenol red as a pH

indicator, either Cary-Blair or Para-Pak C and S) **Specimen Volume:** Representative portion of stool

Collection Instructions: Collect fresh stool and submit 1 gram or 5 mL in container with

transport medium.

### **SPECIMEN STABILITY INFORMATION:**

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time
Fecal	Ambient (preferred)	4 days
	Refrigerated	4 days

**CPT CODE**: 87507

**DAY(S) SET UP**: Monday through Sunday; Continuously **ANALYTIC TIME**: 1 day

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