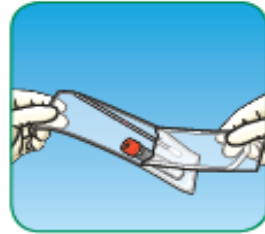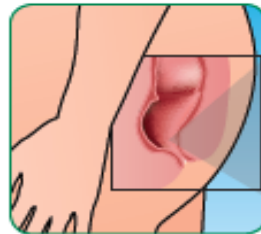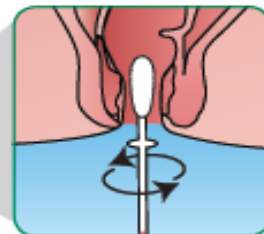# FecalSwab with Collar for Rectal Sample

Open the peel pouch.

Remove the swab. Do not touch the swab tip. Always hold the shaft applicator above the marked breakpoint.

Insert the flocked swab through the rectal sphincter up to the rectal stopper and gently rotate.

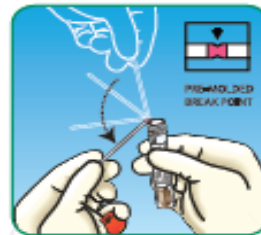Remove and examine to make sure there is fecal material visible on the tip of the swab.

Transfer the swab into the FecalSwab™ tube and check that the maximum filling line ("MAX. FILL") on the label is not exceeded.
NOTE: *If sample collected exceeds maximum fill line discard the swab and the tube and collect a new specimen using a different FecalSwab™.*

Holding the swab shaft between thumb and finger, mash and mix the stool specimen against the side of the tube to evenly disperse and suspend the specimen in the medium.

Hold the tube away from your face. Holding the end of the swab shaft, place the marked breaking point against the rim of the tube and bend it at a 180 degrees angle to break at the marked breakpoint. If needed, gently twist the shaft between thumb and forefinger to completely remove it. Discard the broken upper part of the swab shaft and tighten the cap.

Shake the vial until the sample appears homogeneous.

Write patient's name and demographics on the tube or apply a label and send the sample to the laboratory.

FecalSwabs with collars are for rectal sample collection only.

Specimens submitted on swabs with collars will not be tested for Enterohemorrhagic *E. coli* toxin.

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