

# GASTRO- INTESTINAL VIRUS

## Orderable - GIVP

Turnaround Time: Up to 4 days

### Specimen Type and Collection information:

Please review the Public Health Ontario Laboratory Test Information Index:

#### Gastroenteritis – Stool Viruses

Specimen Type	Minimum Volume	Collection Kit
Stool	1.0 – 2.0 grams	Sterile container

For inpatient, institutional or outbreak specimens, collect within 48 hours of onset when possible.

Collect specimen for all other settings (ER or ambulatory) only if symptoms persist for more than 72 hours

### Critical Information Required:

If Acute Severe Hepatitis of Unknown Origin in Children is suspected, use the [Hepatitis of Unknown Origin in Children – Public Health Ontario Laboratory STOOL Requisition](#)

For all other requests use the [General Ontario Public Health Laboratory Test Requisition](#).

### Storage and Shipment:

This specimen must be refrigerated.  
The specimen must be received within 24 hours of collection.



**Laboratory:**  
Microbiology



**Requisition:**  
See electronic order



**Method of Analysis:**  
RT-PCR



**Test Schedule:**  
Referred out weekdays



**Referred to:**  
Public Health Laboratory  
1200 Commissioners Rd E  
London, Ontario  
519-455-9310