



Technical Memorandum

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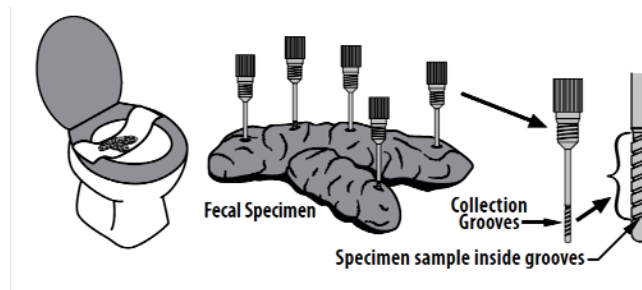
SUBJECT: Change in the occult blood test to the **Quickvue iFOB (Quidel) – Transition Update**

Effective March 5, 2018

Occult Blood testing will be changed from the Hemocult[®] ICT to the Quickvue iFOB (Quidel). The QuickVue iFOB (immunochemical Fecal Occult Blood) test is an immunochemical test intended for the qualitative detection of human fecal occult blood, and is not affected by dietary peroxidases, animal blood or ascorbic acid. It is highly accurate compared to the Guaiac method.

The transition from a 3-sample collection to a single collection has the potential to increase patient compliance and positively impact patient care.

The collection process is simple with a **single** fecal specimen collected on “collection paper” and 5 random pierces at different sites of the specimen by the grooved end of the Sampler (Refer to Figure).



Test Information

Analyte	Unit Code	Specimen Requirement
Occult Blood	602	1 specimen

NOTE: The existing diagnostic order code (602D) will be inactivated. All orders will transition to just a “602” ordering code.

Specimen Stability

Specimens collected may be stored up to eight (8) days at ambient temperatures below 95°F (35°C), six (6) months at 36–46°F (2–8°C) or two (2) years at -4°F (-20°C).

If there are any questions, please call Client Services at 589-5101 or Dr Wesley Kim at 589-5131.