

Specimen Collection During a Suspected Norovirus Outbreak



STOOL

Loose stool ONLY should be sent to the laboratory e.g. Grade 5, 6 or 7 on the Bristol Stool chart.

AND/OR VOMIT

1 to Virology for Norovirus PCR testing

2 specimens of stool are are required:

1 to Microbiology for C&S (C. difficile, Salmonella, Campylobacter etc)

1 to Virology for Norovirus PCR testing

Vomit sample –ICE does not produce a label for vomit sampling, so requests for these samples must be **hand written** on a request form.