

# Fecal Pathogens

The manufacturer of our PCR assay for Fecal Bacterial Pathogens (Salmonella, Campylobacter, Shigella, and shiga toxin) has shifted resources to focus on COVID-19 testing. As a result we are experiencing restrictions in product availability for this testing.

Unfortunately until product become available we are asking that all clients to send these tests directly to the Vermont Department of Health laboratory (VDH) for culture. There is no cost for the Culture performed in the lab at VDH. There will be an increase in turn-around time to up 72 hours.

Samples must be accompanied by the Clinical Test Requisition. A link to the form is included below.

[https://www.healthvermont.gov/sites/default/files/documents/pdf/PHL\\_Micro220-Clinical-Test-Req.pdf](https://www.healthvermont.gov/sites/default/files/documents/pdf/PHL_Micro220-Clinical-Test-Req.pdf)

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