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**Laboratories at Adventist Healthcare Shady Grove Medical Center, and White Oak Medical Center**

**Date: 11/25/24**

LABORATORY ALERT

Subject: Following CAP survey sample handling instructions

The Laboratory is informing you of the following test change:

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| **Effective date:** | **12/3/24** |
| **New Test: GI Panel**  **Run on BioFire at SGMC and WOMC** | **Sample requirements:**  **Preferred sample type:** unformed stool in Cary- Blair transport media (Para-Pak ® C&S). Nursing team should be sending samples in Para-Pak ®, Cary-Blair media.  **Other accepted sample:** Fresh (< one hour since collection time), unformed raw stool in a sterile transport container.  **Unacceptable sample:** Sample older than 1 hour; stool contaminated with urine; formed stool.  **Actions:**   * Call the nursing team to let them know why the sample is not acceptable; request a new sample; obtain the name of the nurse informed. * Cancel the order with the appropriate comment. * Re-order the test |

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