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<https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/lab.html>

**Disease/Agent Suspected or Test Requested:**

**Cryptosporidium, CryptoNet**

<b>Provider Requirements</b>	<b>Sample submission REQUIRED</b>
<b>Acceptable Specimen Sources/Type(s) for Submission</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unfixed stools: Stored 4°C less than one month</li> <li>• Frozen stools: Stored at -20 to -70°C.</li> <li>• Stools in transport media less than one month</li> </ul>
<b>TDH Requisition Form Number</b>	<b>PH-4182</b>
<b>Media Requirements</b>	Transport Media Storage Conditions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4°C:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• C &amp; S culture transport media (orange cap)</li> <li>• Potassium dichromate</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Room Temperature             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ZincPVA</li> <li>• Intestinal parasite (IP) Total Fix bottle (black cap)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Special Instructions</b>	<b><i>Stools received in formalin are unacceptable for testing.</i></b>
<b>Shipping Instructions</b>	Ship <b>COLD</b> on cold packs
<b>Laboratory Section Performing Testing</b>	Special Microbiology
<b>Lab Location(s) Performing Test</b>	Nashville

All infectious substance shipments must conform to U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR 49 C.F.R Parts 171-180).