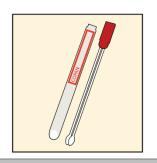


## **Oregon State Public Health Laboratory (OSPHL)** Carbapenemase Producing Organism (CPO) Colonization Screening

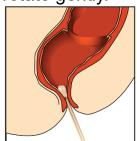
## **Specimen Collection Guide**

Use the dual swab collection kit provided by OSPHL.

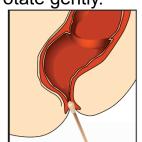
Hold swab by the red cap during collection.



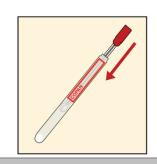
**Rectal collection** Insert both OR swab tips about 1cm beyond the anal sphincter and rotate gently.



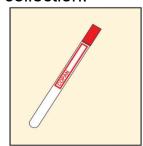
Perirectal collection Insert both swab tips no more than 1cm into the anal opening before the anal sphincter and rotate gently.



Place both swabs back into the original tube. Seal with Parafilm if available. Label with full name and date of birth.

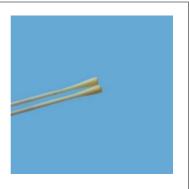


Store swabs in the tube at ambient temperatures (15-28°C). Transport for delivery at OSPHL within 4 days of collection.



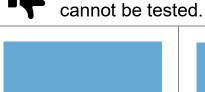


Swabs with a small to moderate amount of stool can usually be tested.











Swabs with too much stool



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