WHY TEST YOURSELF FOR STOOL BLOOD?

In their early stages, colorectal diseases such as cancer, ulcers, hemorrhoids, polyps, colitis, diverticulitis, and fissures may not show any visible symptoms, even though they may be producing blood hidden in the stool. EZ DETECT can detect this unseen blood and thereby serves as an early warning signal of bowel troubles that need medical attention.

CONTENTS OF THE TEST KIT

You must account for the following items before testing.

- 5 Test Tissues (inside large pouch)
- Positive Control
- Test Result Card

MEDICATION AND DIET

Two days prior to and during the testing period, avoid aspirin containing medicines, anti-inflammatory drugs, and rectal ointments. If you are taking medication, including prescribed doses of iron, check with your physician before testing. No diet restrictions are required (rare meat and Vitamin C are okay). However, for two days before and during testing, try to eat vegetables, fruits and cereals.

TEST SUMMARY

There are three steps to the EZ DETECT procedure:

Step 1. Water quality check (one time only).
Step 2. Stool test (3 consecutive bowel movements).
Step 3. Test performance (one time only - positive control is used here).

PREPARATION FOR THE TEST

Remove all toilet cleaners, disinfectants or deodorizers from the toilet bowl and tank. Flush the toilet bowl several times before testing. If you are color blind or visually impaired, have someone else read the results.

PRECAUTIONS

- Do not perform the test during menstrual bleeding, bleeding hemorrhoids, or constipation.
- Store unused test tissues at room temperature and protect from sunlight and moisture.
- Do not ingest or inhale contents of Positive Control Package. Keep out of reach of children.

TEST DIRECTIONS

Step 1. Water Quality Check: Cut open the large pouch at the dotted line. Take one test tissue out of the pouch. Float the test tissue on top of the toilet water. Wait 2 minutes. You should see no blue-green color on the test tissue. If there is a blue-green color on the test tissue, wait three (3) days and repeat Step #1 and skip Step #3. (See Common Questions section)

a. Have a bowel movement. Do not flush the toilet.
b. Remove another test tissue from the pouch and float it onto the toilet water. The test tissue does not need to touch the stool. Fold & close the open end of the pouch to protect the remaining tissues from moisture.
c. Within 2 minutes, look for a blue-green color on the test area of the test tissue. Record the result on the Test Result Card by marking an “X” for color or no color.
d. Flush the toilet.
e. For the second and third bowel movements repeat Step #2 “a” to “d”. This completes the stool tests.
Step 3. Test Performance: This step must be completed in order for your test results to be valid. Flush the toilet. Carefully tear open the Positive Control Package (small foil pouch) and sprinkle its contents into the toilet while the water is filling up in the bowl. Wait one minute, drop the last test tissue into the toilet bowl. Within two minutes, a blue-green cross should appear on the tissue, meaning that your test tissues have worked properly. Wash your hands. Record the result on the Test Result Card.

WHAT DOES THE TEST RESULT MEAN?
Any trace of blue-green color visible in the TEST AREA indicates that blood may be present in your stool (a positive test result) meaning that there is a possible condition requiring your physician’s attention. However, a positive test result does not always mean that a problem exists, e.g. certain medicines can cause a false result as previously mentioned. No trace of a blue-green color in the cross indicates that at the time of your test there was no detectable blood in the stool.

WARNING
This is a screening test and should not be used to confirm the existence or absence of any disease condition. It is not a replacement for colonoscopy or sigmoidoscopy. If you have any symptoms that concern you consult your physician - even if your test results are negative.

COMMON QUESTIONS
Q. Why test for water quality?
A. In some regions or on certain days the water may contain substances that interfere with this test and one could get false positive results.

Q. What do I do when the Water Quality Check is positive (blue-green)?
A. Wait 3 days, prepare the toilet as in the “Preparation For The Test” section and redo the test from Step #1, but skip Step #3 since you have one less test tissue. If the water check is again positive, the water in your toilet is unsuitable for this test.

Q. What does it mean when the result of the Test Performance is orange instead of blue-green?
A. The Positive Control powder on the surface of the water did not completely dissolve and causes an overreaction with the test tissue. The overreaction appears as an orange-rust color. In this case the test result is considered “positive”.

Q. Is the stool test “positive” when there is only a small speck of blue-green color on the test area?
A. Yes. Any visible blue-green color in the test area is considered a “positive” result.

INSTRUCTIONS
Read the Instructions Carefully and Completely Before Performing this Test

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1. **What is the purpose of performing a fecal occult blood test?**
The purpose is to detect occult blood (blood not visible to the naked eye), which indicates bleeding in the gastrointestinal tract. Such bleeding may be a symptom of colorectal cancer.

2. **Is the test difficult or painful?**
No. This test is very user friendly, and requires no stool collection. The home test includes simple directions for preparing your results card.

3. **Who should take the test?**
The risk of colorectal cancer is higher among people over the age of 50. In addition, people in high-risk categories for colorectal cancer should take the test. These include:

- Those who have had colorectal cancer
- Women who have had breast cancer, or reproductive tract cancer
- Those who have had benign intestinal polyps
- Those with a parent, sister or brother who have had colorectal cancer

**Note:** Persons with ulcerative colitis and Crohn’s disease are at increased risk of developing colorectal cancer; however, different screening methods should be used.

4. **Should I take the test even if I have no symptoms?**
Yes. Many cancers and polyps do not cause pain or other symptoms on the onset, but can be detected at an early stage by minute quantities of blood in the stool.

5. **If the test is positive, does it mean I have cancer?**
A positive test means that there may be bleeding in the gastrointestinal tract. Benign conditions such as polyps, hemorrhoids, rectal fissures, or even stomach ulcers can cause bleeding that would give a positive result. Most studies suggest that only 5 to 10 percent of those with positive test results will be diagnosed as having cancer. However, it is imperative that anyone with a positive test result see a physician as soon as possible to determine the cause of the bleeding.

6. **If I have a positive result, how should I follow up?**
Contact your family physician for an appointment.

7. **If my test result is negative, does it mean I don’t have cancer?**
Not necessarily. A negative test only means that there was no blood detected at that time. Blood in the stool may occur intermittently or not at all. This test is not a substitute for a regular physical and rectal examination by your physician.
8. Is the stool test “positive” when there is only a small speck of blue-green color on the test area?
Yes. Any visible blue-green color in the test area is considered a “positive” result. The whole test area
does not have to turn blue-green to be considered as a positive result.

9. If I do not see a color change in any of the test areas, why should I still return the completed
reply card to my doctor?
To establish a physician baseline and to keep your doctor informed

10. Are diet restrictions required for taking this test?
No. However, for two days before and during testing, try to eat vegetables, fruits and cereals.

11. Why should I remove toilet cleaners, disinfectants or deodorizers from the toilet bowl and
tank?
Trace chemicals in the water might interfere with the test.

12. Why test for water quality?
In some regions the water may contain substances that interfere with this test and could cause false
positive results.

13. Why should I reseal the foil pouch after removing the first pad?
To protect the remaining pads from light and moisture.

14. How long should I observe the EZ DETECT™ pad for a color change?
2 minutes.

15. What does it mean if my last test pad does not turn a blue-green color when doing the
performance check?
If your last test tissue does not turn a blue-green color it may be because the powder did not dissolve
properly. To dissolve the powder we suggest sprinkling the powder into the toilet bowl while it is filling
up with clean water to avoid this problem. If you have any problems with the positive control portion of
the test, please contact our customer service staff who will be happy to assist you in any way.

16. What are the chances of survival for someone with colorectal cancer?
If the cancer is found early and treated properly, more than 90 percent of patients survive five years or
more. That’s why taking this test is so important.

If you are unsure how to take the test after reading the instructions, please call our toll free
number, or send us an email to info@cliawaived.com and one of our customer service
representatives will answer any questions you may have.