

Clinical Laboratory and Pathology Services

New Test Announcement

TEST:	BioFire Film Array Gastrointestinal (GI) Panel		
Methodology:	PCR		
Testing Section:	Microbiology		
Intent of Use:	To aid in the diagnosis of specific agents of gastroenteritis. The following organisms are detected using the BioFire GI Panel:		
	Bacteria: Campylobacter species Plesiomonas shigelloides Salmonella Vibrio species Vibrio cholerae Yersinia enterocolitica Enteroaggregative E. coli (EAEC) Enteropathogenic E. coli (EPEC) Enterotoxigenic E. coli (ETEC) Shiga-Toxin Producing E. coli Shigella/Enteroinvasive E. coli	<u>Parasites</u> : Cryptosporidium Cyclospora cayetanensis Entamoeba histolytica Giardia lamblia	<u>Viruses</u> : Adenovirus F40/41 Astrovirus Norovirus GI/GII Rotavirus Sapovirus
Test Code:	GI Panel, Gastrointestinal Panel, GIP		
Specimen:	Stool		
Test Frequency:	24/7		
Back-up System:	Reference Laboratory		
Live Date:	April 14, 2025		
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IMPORTANT POINTS TO NOTE:

- 1. Clostridioides difficile (CDIFF) is <u>NOT</u> included in this panel. A separate request for CDIFF is necessary if testing is required.
- The Gastrointestinal Panel will replace the following tests currently performed in our laboratory: Stool Culture, Ova and Parasite Screening, Rotavirus and Norovirus. These tests will no longer be available as stand-alone orderable tests. They are included in the GI Panel and will provide faster turn-around time with greater sensitivity.
- 3. A culture will automatically be performed when certain bacterial targets are detected on the GI Panel in order to perform further identification and/or antimicrobial susceptibility testing.

