



## WORMS & HELMINTHS SCREEN - Test Code 2028



Turnaround Time: 3-5 business days



Specimen Type: Stool Kit

### Description

The Worm and Helminth Screen is used to detect the presence of parasitic worms or helminths in an individual's body. Helminths are multicellular parasitic worms that can invade various organs and tissues, potentially leading to a range of health complications (Strunz et al., 2016). Infections caused by these parasites are referred to as helminthiasis (Strunz et al., 2016).

The symptoms associated with helminth infections vary according to the type of worm and the organs or systems affected. Common manifestations may include gastrointestinal disturbances, abdominal pain, diarrhea, weight loss, and fatigue (Strunz et al., 2016). Some individuals may also experience more severe complications, such as malnutrition or intestinal blockages, depending on the extent and nature of the infection.

A worm and helminths screen may be conducted when a healthcare professional suspects an infection based on the patient's symptoms, medical history, or known exposure to risk factors such as travel to areas where these parasites are prevalent (Strunz et al., 2016). Early detection and treatment of helminth infections are crucial for preventing complications and improving the overall health of affected individuals.

### Whats included?

- *Ascaris lumbricoides* (Roundworm)
- *Trichuris trichiura* (Whipworm)
- *Enterocytozoon* spp
- *Strongyloides* spp (Roundworm)
- *Necator americanus* (Hookworm)
- *Enterobius vermicularis* (Pinworm)
- *Hymenolepis* spp (Tapeworm)
- *Taenia* species (Tapeworm)

### Conditions and Symptoms

- Diarrhoea
- Constipation
- Abdominal pain
- Bloating
- Weight loss
- Fatigue
- Malnutrition

### Complementary Testing

- Calprotectin (Test code 2001)
- Intestinal Permeability Test (Test code 2011)

### Accreditations Include:

- NATA ISO 15189 – Requirements for Quality and Competence in Medical Laboratories\*
- CLIA – Clinical Laboratories Improvement Amendments\*



info@nutripath.com.au



1300 688 522



www.nutripath.com.au

For more information  
scan the QR code



\*See NATA and CLIA website for further details