Fecal Occult Blood (Hemoccult®)
Test for Operators

True or false (use “T” for true and “F” for false):

_____ 1. Some food and medications may interfere with accurate Hemoccult® test results.
_____ 2. A fresh stool sample should be used to get the most accurate results.

Multiple Choice (circle the correct response):

3. Which of the following statements about stool samples collected for Hemoccult® testing are true?
   A. Stool samples may be tested even if hematuria, menstrual bleeding, and obvious rectal bleeding are present.
   B. Local trauma during a routine rectal exam will not affect results.
   C. Because GI bleeding may be intermittent, 3 samples from sequential bowel movements may be required to obtain an adequate screen for colon cancer.
   D. All of the above.

4. After applying the stool sample to Boxes A and B, how long should you wait before applying the Hemoccult® Developer?
   A. 60 seconds
   B. 3 – 5 minutes
   C. Time doesn’t matter

5. Occult blood test results should be read within ______ seconds of applying the Hemoccult® Developer to the fecal sample.
   A. 60 seconds
   B. 30 seconds
   C. Time doesn’t matter

6. How often should the occult blood Performance Monitor area of the slide be done?
   A. Daily
   B. After every patient test
   C. Weekly and when opening a new box of slides or bottle of Developer.
   D. B and C

7. If the Performance Monitor fails, what should you do?
   A. Record the failure in the Hemoccult® QC Log Sheet.
   B. Do not report the patient’s test result.
   C. Repeat the patient test.
   D. Repeat the Performance Monitor using a new slide/new Developer.
   E. All of the above.