

COVID-19 Update

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Coronavirus (COVID-19) test

Our community have done a great job! We can now go to other places and meet with our families, relatives and friends. To slow the coronavirus from spreading, it is important to quickly find anyone with it. This happens when people get tested as soon as they have any coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms.

Should I get tested for coronavirus (COVID-19)?

You should get tested if you have any of these symptoms:

- Fever
- Sore throat
- Runny nose
- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- Fatigue (feeling weak and tired)
- Loss of sense of smell or taste.

If you are struggling to breathe or experiencing a medical emergency, call 000

What are the symptoms?



Fever



Cough



Fatigue



Sore throat



Shortness
of breath

How can I get tested?

Call your doctor. Make sure to tell them how you are feeling during the phone call

or

Call [13HEALTH \(13432584\)](tel:13432584) to find out where you can get tested

or

Click on this link to find a community testing centre near you

<https://www.qld.gov.au/health/conditions/health-alerts/coronavirus-covid-19/stay-informed/testing-and-fever-clinics>

or

Call these Queensland Government hospitals:

- Logan Hospital Phone (07)3299 8899
- Redland Hospital, Phone (07) 3488 3111
- QEII Jubilee Hospital Phone (07) 3182 6111

How much will the test cost?

- Testing is free at Queensland Health hospitals and other testing clinics.
- You may have to pay to see your local doctor. Make sure to ask about payment when making an appointment.

What should I bring?

- Bring your Medicare Card if you have one. If you don't have a Medicare Card, take photo ID, for example your driver's licence or passport.

How is the test done?

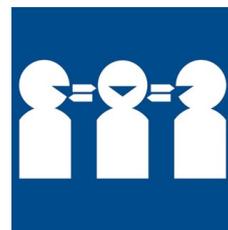
- Testing is easy and quick. A nurse or a doctor will put a swab stick into your nose and then another swab stick in your mouth to get some mucus (slippery liquid).
- A swab is a small stick with a soft tip. The swabs will be put in a tube to be sent for testing for coronavirus.

When will I know the result of my test?

- The test result may take up to 3 days.
- If you were tested at a Queensland Government hospital and don't receive your results after 3 days, you can call **1800 472 847** to find out your result.
- If you are tested by your local doctor or at a community testing clinic, and don't receive your results after 3 days, give them a call.

Need interpreter or other language support?

- Call the Translating and Interpreting Services (TIS) on **13 14 50**. This is a free call to anyone in Australia. It is available anytime of the day and night



Please email us if you have any more questions at accesscapacity@health.qld.gov.au

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