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# Getting Tested for COVID-19



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# What are the symptoms of COVID-19?



# It's important to get a Covid-19 test if you have any of these symptoms?



- cough
- diarrhoea
- Fatigue (feeling weak or tired)
- fever
- loss of smell and/or taste
- runny nose
- shortness of breath
- sore throat, and/or
- vomiting or nausea



# Do I need to be tested?

- If you have any of the symptoms listed, you need to get tested.

OR

- If you are told you are a close contact of a confirmed COVID-19 case.

You can get infected with COVID-19 very easily from others in your community. When you get tested you help keep the community and your family safe. Getting tested can save people's lives.

# Yes.



# Where do I get tested?

## In Townsville go to:

1300 SMILES STADIUM – located on Golf Links Drive, Kirwan, open from 8.00am - 6.00pm, 7 days a week.

This is a drive through clinic which means you can drive there in your car and wait in line. Testing clinics can get busy and at times there is a long wait. It is a good idea to have food and water to last a few hours.

If you do not have access to a car you can still wait in the line.

Remember to bring your Identification to assist the nurses with your personal details including name and date of birth.

**For other testing locations in Qld check the Qld Health website or call 134 268 and ask for support.**

**COVID-19 testing is free for everyone, including people without a Medicare card.**



Yes.

## Can I request an interpreter?

If you need an interpreter, ask for one. It's free.





**What happens  
after my test?**



# What happens after my test?

## After you are tested you must:

- Isolate – stay at home until you receive a “negative” test result
- You must **not** go to work, the shops or drop your children to school
- Your family members are not required to stay at home unless Queensland Health has told them to stay at home with you
- You will receive an SMS message “Negative” which means you do not have Covid-19





# What happens if I am a close contact?

If you are told you are a close contact of someone who has COVID-19 you must follow the directions given to you by Queensland Health.

This **will** include getting tested and, depending on what Queensland Health says, you may need to isolate at home for 14 days even **if** you receive a negative test result.

## SUPPORT SERVICES

For support with the changing COVID-19 situation, phone Multicultural Connect on 1300 079 020. Ask for an interpreter if you need language support.

If you would like more information resources are available here.

