

What COVID-19 test should be used for HCWs?

There has been an increase in the different types of tests available for testing. Certain situations require specific tests. Please use the table below to determine what type of test you require and where you can access the testing.

I am symptomatic	I have travelled	I am unvaccinated, asymptomatic, and being tested as per policy
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You will require a lab-based PCR test • Swab to be administered by a trained HCW Negative results can be accessed online (may take up to 72 hours) • Not available at point of entry Available at drop-in COVID-19 testing sites 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You require a point of care (POC) molecular screening test at the point of entry (IDNow) • If you are not isolating/work-isolating, your follow-up test(s) can either be a POC molecular test or a lab-based PCR test • If you are isolating/work-isolating, your follow-up test(s) must be a lab-based PCR test • All swabs to be taken by trained personnel • You will be contacted within 2 hours to get a lab-based PCR test if your POC test is presumptive positive • Negative lab-based PCR test results can be accessed online (may take up to 72 hours) • POC molecular tests available at specific drop-in COVID-19 testing sites 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rapid antigen testing is required • Swab is self-administered • Swab must be witnessed by your designated witness • Results are available in 15 minutes • You must stay with your test until your results are obtained • Available at your workplace