

COVID-19 Test Options

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Types of tests: PCR and antigen (rapid antigen) tests are used to confirm whether you have the virus.

It is recommended that you get a PCR test, rather than a rapid antigen test.

The reason is that a negative result with a rapid antigen test must be verified with a PCR test within 3-5 days after exposure or symptoms start. A positive rapid antigen test does not need to be verified.

Test Iowa - 2 options:

Order an at-home kit in advance so that you have one available when you need it

- Order free kits in advance online (to be mailed to you): testiowa.com
- **Test type:** PCR (saliva)
- **Cost:** Free
- **Appointment required:** No
- Your saliva sample may be mailed in for processing, or drop it off at a test pick-up site for faster processing time

or

Pick up a kit when you need it

- Pick up at one of the pick-up sites: testiowa.com
- **Test type:** PCR (saliva)
- **Cost:** Free
- **Appointment required:** No.
- Your saliva sample may be dropped off at the test pick-up site for fastest processing time, or you may mail it in

Your personal medical provider

- call in advance for information and instructions
- **Cost:** Pay at the time of testing, or cover with insurance. ChildServe insurance, and most insurance, pays 100% for COVID testing.

Pharmacies and Clinics

Walgreens

- **Test types:** varies by location

- **Appointment required:** Yes. Take a screening assessment and make an appointment online at walgreens.com/findcare/covid19/testing.
- **Cost:** Pay at the time of testing, or cover with insurance. Walgreens advises customers to contact their insurer before getting the test to determine coverage. Out of pocket, PCR tests are \$129 and antigen tests are \$49.
- For more information: walgreens.com/findcare/covid19/testing or 800-925-4733

Hy-Vee

- **Test types:** PCR or antigen are available, self-administered
- **Appointment required:** Yes. Take a screening assessment and make an appointment online at hy-vee.com/covidtesting.
- **Cost:** PCR tests are free; pricing varies for rapid antigen tests
- For more information: hy-vee.com/covidtesting or call your local Hy-Vee store

UnityPoint Clinics

- Multiple clinic and hospital locations in the metro.
- **Test types:** PCR, antigen and antibody
- **Cost:** Pay at the time of testing, or cover with insurance.
- For more information: unitypoint.org or 515-241-6212.

MercyOne

- Des Moines Pediatric Urgent Care, 330 Laurel St.; MercyOne East Village Urgent Care Clinic, 1350 Des Moines St.; MercyOne South Des Moines Urgent Care Clinic, 6601 S.W. Ninth St. Des Moines.
- **Test Type:** PCR
- **Appointment required:** Yes, if you have a primary care provider. No appointment required at Urgent Care facilities (first-come, first-served)
- **Cost:** Pay at the time of testing, or cover with insurance.
- For more information: mercyone.org or 515-247-3121

Broadlawns Urgent Care

- Three locations: 580 S.W. Ninth St., Suite 100, Des Moines; 2508 E. University Ave., Des Moines; East Building, first floor, 1801 Hickman Road, Des Moines.
- **Test Type:** PCR
- **Appointment required:** No
- **Cost:** Pay at the time of testing, or cover with insurance.
- For more information, visit broadlawns.org/coronavirus or call 515-282-2200.

DoctorsNow Walk-In Care

- Locations at 3770 Eighth St. S.W., Altoona; 8779 Northpark Court, Johnston; and 640 S. 50th St., No. 1100, West Des Moines
- **Test Type:** PCR and rapid antigen
- **Appointment required:** Typically, yes. First, a virtual visit must be scheduled at www.solvehealth.com which will then lead to a scheduled in-person testing

appointment. DoctorsNow also occasionally offers pop-up COVID-19 testing. Times and locations can be found at doctorsnow.com/popup.

- **Cost:** Pay at the time of testing, or cover with insurance
- For more information: www.solvehealth.com

Exemplar Care

- 7300 Westown Pkwy #330, West Des Moines; Des Moines Airport for ticketed passengers only
- **Test Type:** PCR, Rapid antigen
- **Appointment required:** Yes
- **Cost:** Pay at the time of testing, or cover with insurance.
- For more information: www.exemplar.care/test or 515-650-4370

Primary Health Care

- 2401 SE 14th St. Des Moines.
- **Test Type:** PCR
- **Appointment required:** **No**. Upon arrival individuals will be asked to fill out paperwork and go through an initial screening by a nurse or physician.
- **Cost:** Pay at the time of testing, or cover with insurance. If a patient does not have insurance, financial assistance is available.
- For more information: phciowa.org