

# Testing and Follow-Up for COVID-19

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Your child is being tested for COVID-19, an infectious respiratory disease caused by the novel (new) coronavirus. Here is what you can expect.

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## What happens next:

Your child's test has been submitted to the lab to get results. It may take the lab up to two days to get results.

During this time, you should stay home and try to avoid contact with other people.

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## How will we find out the results of the test?

### Surgery Center and Clinic Appointments:

We will contact you before your scheduled visit only if your child tests positive for COVID-19. We will work with you to determine if the appointment will need to be postponed.

If the results are negative, you will not receive a call from us but are welcome to ask for the results at your visit. You will also have access to your results through MyChart

### Emergency Department and Urgent Care Visits:

We will contact you once your child's test results are available, whether they are negative or positive. You will also have access to your child's test results through MyChart.

### Community Patient Testing:

We will send the results of the test to your child's primary care provider (PCP) or the provider who ordered the test. They will contact you with the results and instructions for what to do next or you can contact them with any questions.

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## What should we do while we wait for the results?

As much as possible, your child should stay home and avoid contact with others. Wash hands regularly and especially before touching your face, eating or after using the restroom.

If your child has increased symptoms of the cold or flu (like a cough, fever or shortness of breath), call your PCP.

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### To Learn More

- Ask your child's healthcare provider
- [seattlechildrens.org](http://seattlechildrens.org)

### Free Interpreter Services

- In the hospital, ask your nurse.
- From outside the hospital, call the toll-free Family Interpreting Line, 1-866-583-1527. Tell the interpreter the name or extension you need.



Seattle Children's offers interpreter services for Deaf, hard of hearing or non-English speaking patients, family members and legal representatives free of charge. Seattle Children's will make this information available in alternate formats upon request. Call the Family Resource Center at 206-987-2201. This handout has been reviewed by clinical staff at Seattle Children's. However, your child's needs are unique. Before you act or rely upon this information, please talk with your child's healthcare provider.

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