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COVID-19 Antibody Test

What is the SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) antibody test?

This is a serum blood test designed to detect antibodies in a blood sample that could indicate that you may have current or prior COVID-19 infection. Testing your sample will help find out if you have antibodies to the virus that causes COVID-19. Results are available within 24-48 hours of specimen receipt.

If I've had a PCR test for COVID, would I need this?

PCR testing is for a current active infection of COVID-19. After you recover, antibody testing is used to ensure that antibodies are present.

What if I have no symptoms?

For patients that are clear of symptoms for at least 14 days or have never had symptoms, the antibody test could identify if you were exposed to COVID-19. These results could enable essential workers to return to work sooner under the direction of their healthcare provider.

What if I have a positive test result?

It is very likely that you have or previously had COVID-19 and that you have developed an antibody response to the virus. Your healthcare provider will work with you to determine how best to care for you based on the test results along with other factors of your medical history, and your symptoms, possible exposures, and geographic location of places you have recently traveled.

What if I have a negative test result?

A negative test results means that antibodies to the virus that cause COVID-19 were not found.

WHY GET TESTED?

- The results, along with other information, can help your healthcare provider make informed recommendations about your care.
- The results of this test may help limit the spread of COVID-19 to your family and others in your community.
- Antibody testing can assist in identifying people that may have been exposed to SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes the COVID-19 infection.



If you would like to discuss the information provided, please talk to your healthcare provider.

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