

BC CDC GUIDELINES:

<http://www.bccdc.ca/health-professionals/clinical-resources/covid-19-care/lab-testing>

TEST:

BC CDC recommends testing for those **WITH** cold, influenza or COVID-19-like symptoms, however mild.

NO TEST:

- If an individual has no symptoms, even if they are a contact of a confirmed case or a returning traveller and self-isolating at home, they do not require a test.
- Repeat testing after positive COVID19 - HCW do not require a negative test to return to work

LABELLING: to prioritize testing, label the requisition as coming from:

- **HCW1** – Health Care Worker – Direct Care
 - Essential service providers (incl. first responders)
- **HCW2** – Health Care Worker – Non Direct Care
- **LTC** – Long Term Care Facility
- **OBK** – Outbreak
 - Including people who are homeless or have unstable housing
- **HOS** – Hospital (Inpatient)
 - Emergency Department (with intent to admit)
 - Symptomatic pregnant woman in their 3rd trimester
 - Renal patients
 - Cancer patients receiving treatment
- **CMM** – Community (Outpatient)
 - Residents of remote, isolated or indigenous communities
 - Primary Care Centres and Doctor's office
 - Emergency Department (non-admitted)
 - Surveillance
 - Returning travellers identified at point of entry
- **CGT** – People living in congregate settings
 - Work camps
 - Correctional facilities
 - Shelters
 - Group homes
 - Assisted living
 - Seniors' residences