How do I get a COVID-19 test?
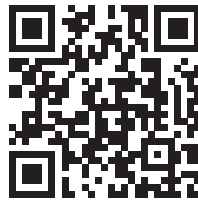
There are two types of tests for COVID-19:
Rapid antigen tests and Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) tests

Rapid antigen tests

Rapid antigen tests are widely available and free at participating pharmacies. Anyone can ask for a kit without having to show identification.

Visitors to pharmacies can also pick up a kit for someone else. Pharmacies will hand out kits one at a time.

For a list of participating pharmacies offering free rapid antigen test kits, please visit the BC Pharmacy Association website by scanning the QR code, below:
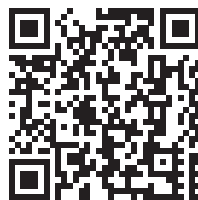

www.bcpharmacy.ca/rapid-tests/list

Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) tests

In most cases a PCR test is not required, you can safely complete a rapid test at home.

If your primary care provider believes a PCR test is required and you are eligible, they will provide you with a requisition.

If you don't have access to a primary care provider or can't get an appointment within three days of developing symptoms, you can call 811, Service BC (1-800-663-7867) or Fraser Health Virtual Care (1-888-268-4319).

For more information about COVID-19 testing, please visit the Fraser Health website testing page by scanning the QR code below:

www.fraserhealth.ca/health-topics-a-to-z/
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