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# What to do if you have COVID-19 symptoms





Scan the QR code for more information on COVID-19.

#### How to get your PCR test results

In Person: Contact a primary care provider, walk-in clinic, or primary care centre. If you do not have a personal health number (PHN), get your results in person.

Text: results.bccdc.ca

Online: gov.bc.ca/healthgateway

Check for results in COVID-19 Tests Results and Lab Results

Phone: 1-833-707-2792

#### **Treatment for COVID-19**

There are treatments available for people who tested positive for COVID-19 and who are at higher risk of serious illness and needing hospitalization.

If you test positive, check if you may benefit from treatment. Visit gov.bc.ca/ covidtreatments or call 1-888-268-4319

#### **Urgent** care

Go to an urgent care clinic or emergency department if you:

- have difficulty breathing
  feel very sick
- have chest pain
- · feel confused
- can't drink anything

#### Stay home if sick

Stay home and away from others until:

- · your fever is gone (without the use of medicines that reduce fever like Tylenol), AND
- you feel well enough to return to daily activities.

Avoid close contact with people at higher risk of severe illness or complications from COVID-19.

If you cannot stay away from others while you have symptoms, take these prevention measures:

- wear a mask indoors
- cover your coughs or sneezes with your elbow
- clean your hands often

If you don't have symptoms, you do not need to stay home or avoid others, regardless of test results.

### Managing symptoms at home

Most people can safely manage their symptoms at home.

- Take rest
- Drink lots of water and fluids
- Use a humidifier or hot shower to ease cough or sore throat
- For fever, take medicine like acetaminophen (Tylenol) or ibuprofen (Advil)

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If symptoms worsen or don't improve, call 8-1-1 or visit a health care provider or urgent care clinic.

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- Rest and allow yourself to recover.
- Whenever possible, have family, friends, or a delivery service bring food, medication and other supplies to you.
- Avoid close contact with household members who may be at higher risk of severe illness, such as very young children, elderly, and immunocompromised, if possible.
- You can still do essential chores such as checking your mail or walking your dog.

### If you need to go out

- It is best to walk, ride a bike, or drive yourself.
- If you travel in a car with anyone (in a taxi or a ride share, or even with someone from your household):
  - Everyone should wear a mask
  - Roll down all the windows
  - Everyone should clean their hands before and after the ride

- If you must take public transit:
  - Wear a mask
  - Clean your hands before and after the ride



### If you live with others

- Let everyone at home know you are sick/not feeling well.
- If possible, stay in your own room and use a different bathroom than others.
- If you must be in a room with others:
  - Wear a mask or respirator that covers the nose, mouth and chin to reduce spread.
  - Open windows to increase airflow.
- If eating around others, ensure good respiratory etiquette (cough/sneeze in your sleeve) and avoid close face-to-face contact.

- Everyone should wash hands often with soap and water, or use hand sanitizer.
- If you share a bathroom:
  - Put down the toilet lid before you flush.
  - Turn on the fan or open the window.
  - Clean handles and faucets after each use.
  - Avoid sharing personal items like toothbrushes and towels.
- Clean and disinfect high-touch surfaces such as door handles, light switches, faucets, phones, computers and remote controls.

