

MISSION CITY COMMUNITY NETWORK, INC. COVID-19 TESTING PROTOCOL

MCCN ensures that patients have open access to COVID-19 testing while safeguarding staff. MCCN monitors tests for results and informs patients promptly of the results.

Protocol:

1. **Priority Testing:** for MCCN staff, symptomatic patients, and Public Servants/Leaders.

2. **Front Office staff:** Front staff create an encounter using the “COVID-19 Lab” visit type on the COVID-Test resource schedule and set the appointment to the designated time. Front Office staff notify testing staff 15 minutes before the scheduled test via MCCN internal instant messaging.
3. **No-show** -If the Patient does not present for testing on the scheduled day, the front office reviews the no-show the following working morning and reschedules with the Patient. Each attempt to reach the Patient is documented as No-response with the reason “COVID-Test Follow-Up .”If the front office staff cannot get the Patient after two attempts, the front office sends the Urgent Unable-to-Contact Letter to the Patient’s provided address following the UNABLE TO

4. **Contact Patient Procedure:**
 - a. The Nurse conducting testing confirms the Patient’s name and date of birth when the Patient presents for testing.
 - b. Specimen collection is performed in the location designated explicitly for the COVID PCR testing area. Only necessary attendants may be present for specimen collection.
 - c. Nurse staff promptly cleans procedure surfaces as described in the COVID-19 Precautions, PPE, and Exam Room Cleaning Protocol.
 - d. Hands are washed (PREFERRED) with anti-microbial soap, or an alcohol-based hand sanitizer is applied immediately after testing patients and cleaning the procedure area; if sanitizer is used, then hands are washed with soap and water as soon as possible.
 - e. Nurse performs, administers, and packages the test according to manufacturer instructions and places test for lab courier pick-up. The Nurse then marks the Patient checked out the resource schedule.
 - f. Testing staff monitor themselves for fever and symptoms of COVID-19 daily.
 - g. If testing staff show symptoms, they stay home, self-quarantine, and notify their supervisor/department lead. See STAFF WITH COVID-19 SYMPTOMS PROTOCOL.
 - i. If testing staff develops a fever (T> 100.0F) or symptoms consistent with COVID-19, they wear their face masks, inform their supervisor, and leave the workplace. The supervisor documents this in an Incident Report. See STAFF WITH COVID-19 SYMPTOMS PROTOCOL.
 - j. Each facility’s nurse lead screens testing staff at the beginning of their shift for fever and symptoms consistent with COVID-19. The Nurse lead measures staff temperatures and documents the absence of symptoms consistent with COVID-19.

5. Test Results

- Positive Results:
 - Assign to any provider available regardless of PCP. Provider calls patient, gives results, gives medical recommendations for treatment and prevention of complications.
 - Designated Care Manager notified the LA County via the LA County website of the positive results.
- Negative Results:
 - Assign to any available provider, create an order with the reason “COVID-19 Results” and contact the Patient to inform them of the results.

6. Quality and Compliance Coordinator:

- Runs a weekly report on COVID-19 last orders results in tracking and lab reviewing and informs the designated Care Manager of any con compliance.

References:

<http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/acd/ncorona2019/reporting.htm>

<http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/acd/ncorona2019/Therapeutics/>