

COVID-19 Testing

We encourage anyone who has symptoms or believes they may have been exposed to COVID-19 to:

- **Call or email a health care provider first.** If the provider recommends you get testing or care, follow the provider's advice BEFORE going into any health facility. Ask your provider about private lab sites where you can get tested.
- **Do not** go to an emergency room to get a test for COVID-19 unless you are having a medical emergency. For COVID-19, that means severe respiratory symptoms such as shortness of breath or breathing difficulties.
- **Do** call 911 or go to an emergency room if you are having a medical emergency. Tell the dispatcher your symptoms.

Antibody testing

The CDC does not currently recommend using antibody testing for diagnosis of any infection or to determine immunity. Unlike direct viral detection methods that can detect currently infected persons, antibody tests help determine whether the individual being tested was previously infected, even if that person never showed symptoms. Antibody testing can play an important role in understanding the virus's epidemiology in the general population and identifying groups at higher risk for infection. Although antibody tests should not be used at this time to determine immunity, these tests can help determine the proportion of a population previously infected and provide information about populations that may be immune and potentially protected. Thus, demographic and geographic patterns of antibody test results can help determine which communities may have experienced a higher infection rate and therefore may have a higher proportion of the population with some degree of immunity, at least temporarily.

Why be tested for COVID-19?

- For people whose symptoms are severe enough to need medical treatment in a hospital, a positive or negative test result is important. The diagnosis helps the hospital decide what interventions the patient needs and where they should be assigned to stay in the hospital.
- A number of Colorado hospitals either can or soon will be able to test for and diagnose COVID-19 in-house, without having to wait for results from the state or a private lab.

Testing locations

Testing locations in Weld County include but may not be limited to:

Eastman Park - Windsor

Weld County in coordination with the Weld County Office of Emergency Management, the Town of Windsor, and the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment is hosting a **free drive-thru COVID-19 testing site at Eastman Park in Windsor** from Dec. 21-31. The testing site is open to anybody who wishes to be tested. Since this is a drive-thru only site, individuals who want a test must be inside an enclosed vehicle for safety. **No appointment, physician order, or insurance is required.** [Pre-registration is available online](#), but staff at the test site can register patients on-site. A nasal swab sample will be collected by Mako Medical staff at the testing site. Patients can expect test results four days after testing by texting "MAKO" to 66349, [visiting the website](#), or calling the customer service line at [\(719\) 416-5857](tel:7194165857).

Testing site information:

- When: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Dec. 21-31 (no testing available on Dec. 24 or Dec. 25; open at 10:00 a.m., Dec. 26)
- Where: Eastman Park, 7025 Eastman Park Drive, Windsor, CO 80550

[Mako Medical: Frequently Asked Questions About COVID-19 Testing](#)

[Mako Medical: Preguntas frecuentes sobre la prueba de detección de COVID-19](#)

Weld County Southwest Services Building

Weld County in coordination with the Weld County Office of Emergency Management and the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment is hosting a **free drive-thru COVID-19 testing site at the county's Southwest Services Building in Longmont** from Dec. 17-30. The testing site is open to anybody who wishes to be tested. Since this is a drive-thru only site, individuals who want a test must be inside an enclosed vehicle for safety. **No appointment, physician order, or insurance is required.** [Pre-registration is available online](#), but staff at the test site can register patients on-site. A nasal swab sample will be collected by Mako Medical staff at the testing site. Patients can expect test results four days after testing by texting "MAKO" to 66349, [visiting the website](#), or calling the customer service line at [\(719\) 416-5857](tel:7194165857).

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- Where: Weld County Southwest Services Building, 4209 County Road 24 1/2, Longmont, CO 80504

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Youth Sports Complex

The City of Greeley, with the help of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment has opened a [free COVID-19 drive-thru community testing site](#) at the Youth Sports Complex in Greeley. There are **no identification, insurance, or doctor's note requirements**, and the tests are free. Patients must be in a car to get tested.

Testing site information:

- When: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., 7 days a week
- Where: Youth Sports Complex parking lot, 1850 65th Ave., Greeley, CO 80634

Patients can register on-site, but pre-registration is encouraged to reduce wait times and patients can [pre-register online](#).

Milliken Athletic Complex

The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment is supporting a **free COVIDCheck Colorado COVID-19 testing site** at the Milliken Athletic Complex in Milliken. COVIDCheck Colorado uses a highly sensitive and reliable nasal swab PC test that is administered by licensed medical professionals. Test results have a 35-hour turnaround time.

Testing site information:

- When: 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Monday, Dec. 7 and Wednesday, Dec. 9. More dates to come.
- Where: Milliken Athletic Complex, 320 Centennial Drive, Milliken, CO 80543

COVIDCheck Colorado accepts walk-ins but highly recommends signing up for an appointment in advance. [Set up an appointment online](#) and click "Get My Test."

Banner Health

Banner Health is offering **drive-thru testing sites for Banner patients** experiencing non-life-threatening symptoms. You must wear a mask and bring your health insurance card to your appointment.

- When: You **must have an appointment** to be tested. Call 1 (844) 549-1856 to schedule an appointment. Phone lines are open from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday.
- Where: Banner North Colorado Emergency Care Parking Lot, 2000 70th Ave., Greeley, CO 80634

Many Banner clinics also are offering testing. If you are a Banner patient, you should check with your provider.

UCHealth

UCHealth will open a **new drive-thru specimen-collection center Nov. 9 at The Ranch Events Complex** in Loveland. With this, **UCHealth will close the drive-through center at Medical Center of the Rockies at 2 p.m. Nov. 8.**

New testing site information:

- When: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays; 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays
- Where: The Ranch Events Complex, 5280 Arena Circle, Loveland, CO 80538. Patients should enter The Ranch via the north entrance off Fairgrounds Avenue and follow signs to the testing area.

The criteria for UCHealth testing has recently been updated. Currently eligible:

- Tests are only available at this time for people with a provider's order (for example, a required test for a scheduled surgery) or who are experiencing symptoms including fever, shortness of breath or new cough. All patients who want to be tested at a UCHealth testing site **must have an order for testing or an appointment** before they arrive at the testing site. Those who do not have an appointment or order will have to return to the site after they are able to obtain one.
 - Exceptions: Health care workers can get tested at all of UCHealth's drive-through centers and firefighters can be tested at the new center at The Ranch.

Make an appointment and/or find a testing location:

- Those with symptoms should go to the [UCHealth website](#) or their My Health Connection app if they have an account.
- In northern Colorado, UCHealth has drive-through specimen collection sites in Estes Park, Fort Collins, Loveland and Longmont.

Nasal swab tests are \$85. Many insurance providers cover COVID-19 testing. Patients should check with their insurance for details. Antibody blood tests also are available for \$100.

Salud Community Health

Salud is offering **COVID-19 testing to anyone in the community**; you do not need to be a Salud patient. Your COVID supplies and test results are free. Your insurance company may be billed for the provider time to assess your health and/or obtain the specimen during your drive-thru visit. No co-pay will be collected. Testing is available from 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. at the following clinics:

LOCATION	DAYS OPEN FOR TESTING
Aurora: 562 Sable Boulevard, Suite 100	Monday and Tuesday
Brighton: 1860 Egbert Street	Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
Commerce City: 6255 Quebec Parkway	Monday, Thursday and Friday
Estes Park: 1950 Redtail Hawk Drive	Tuesday and Thursday
Fort Collins: 1830 Laporte Avenue	Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
Fort Lupton: 1115 2nd Street	Tuesday and Thursday
Frederick: 5995 Iris Parkway	Tuesday and Friday
Longmont: 220 East Rogers Road	Monday through Friday
Sterling: 1410 South 7th Avenue	Tuesday and Thursday

Testing is also available for existing patients at Salud clinics in Brighton, Fort Collins, Fort Morgan, and Longmont. You must have a phone visit prior to being **scheduled** for testing at one of those sites. Call (303) 697-2583 to schedule an appointment.

University of Northern Colorado

The State of Colorado has partnered with a company called Curative to set up a COVID-19 Testing Kiosk on the University of Northern Colorado campus that provides **free, self-administered saliva-based PCR tests**. Patients will cough first, releasing the virus from the upper and lower respiratory tract. The virus is caught in the saliva, and then the patient will swab the inside of their cheeks and the roof of their mouths. Once complete, the patient will seal their test in a secure container and return it to a medical professional inside the sealed, secure booth. Patients should expect to receive test results within 48 hours via text or email.

Testing site information:

- When: 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Mondays - Saturdays
- Where: Nottingham Field at the University of Northern Colorado, 1410 20th Street, Greeley, CO 80631

The testing kiosk in Greeley is a prototype and is quick, easy, and free for all students and staff, as well as the surrounding Greeley community. Walk-ups are welcome, but Coloradans can **sign up ahead of time** online:

- [Registration for UNC students, faculty, and staff](#)
- [Registration for the general community](#)

NextCare Urgent Care

[NextCare Urgent Care](#) has available at its Greeley and Longmont locations **curbside testing, rapid testing, and antibody testing**. Patients presenting COVID-19 symptoms are encouraged to use curbside services. If you are not presenting viral or

COVID-19 symptoms, you will be asked to come into the clinic. To access curbside care, NextCare requests you contact the clinic before visiting. NextCare also **recommends all patients book a time online** at <https://nextcare.com/> to help reduce wait time.

Greeley testing site information:

- When: 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Mondays – Fridays; 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Saturdays - Sundays
- Where: NextCare Urgent Care, 1011 39th Avenue, Greeley, CO 80634

Longmont testing site information:

- When: 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Mondays - Fridays; 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Saturdays – Sundays
- Where: NextCare Urgent Care, 2144 Main Street #8, Longmont, CO 80501

Walmart

Beginning May 22, a **no-cost COVID-19 drive-thru testing site** will be open three days a week in the 23rd Avenue Walmart parking lot. Tests will be self-swab nasal tests. You **must make an appointment** and bring your test voucher with you to the testing site.

Testing site information:

- When: 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays
- Where: Walmart, 3103 S. 23rd Ave., Greeley, CO 80631
- **Registration required:** https://www.doineedacovid19test.com/Greeley_CO_335.html

Testing follows CDC Guidelines to determine eligibility. Currently eligible:

- Health care workers and first responders
- Other individuals with symptoms
- Other individuals without symptoms, in accordance with state and local plans and for public health monitoring

Good Day Pharmacy

Good Day Pharmacy in Greeley is **now offering rapid COVID-19 antigen tests**. Tests are \$100 and provide same-day results. A confirmatory PCR test may be recommended if a patient presents with symptoms and has a negative rapid COVID test result due to a possible false-negative result. If testing is needed because of exposure to someone who is a confirmed COVID-positive patient, wait 5 days from the date of exposure before getting tested to avoid false-negative results.

Testing site information:

- Where: Greeley Medical Clinic, 2000 16th St., Greeley, CO 80631, west side parking lot near the green tent
- When: Various days throughout the week
- **Appointment required:** Go to www.gooddaypharmacy.com to complete an eligibility assessment and schedule an appointment. Tests are by appointment only.

When a patient arrives, they should stay in their vehicle and call [\(970\) 576-3178](tel:9705763178) and a team member will come out.

Good Day Pharmacy in Greeley is **continuing as a PCR testing site**. Testing services for eligible patients have been extended through December 31, 2020. Tests are provided at no cost to eligible patients.

Testing site information:

- Where: Greeley Medical Clinic, 2000 16th St., Greeley, CO 80631, west side parking lot near the green tent
- When: Mondays - Thursdays
- **Appointment required:** Go to https://www.doineedacovid19test.com/Greeley_CO_903.html or call [1-800-635-8611](tel:18006358611) and complete the assessment to determine eligibility.
 - If eligible, the patient will select a time on the website for a test and be issued a test voucher.

When a patient arrives, they should stay in their vehicle and call [\(970\) 576-3178](tel:9705763178) and a team member will come out. During the visit, the patient will present the voucher and ID to receive a test kit and guidance to self-administer (for contact-free testing) a nasal swab under supervision of a team member. After collecting the sample, the patient will place it in a collection bin for shipment to a lab. Results will be available to the patient in 3-5 days through the eTrueNorth portal. Full details will be provided to the patient at the time of testing.

Kaiser Permanente

Kaiser Permanente is **able to test symptomatic members** in Colorado at no cost. Kaiser also is able to test some asymptomatic members, including those who are required to have a test for travel, work or school, or before entering a skilled nursing facility or having surgery or other procedures. In addition, Kaiser is **offering testing to members who have had a high-risk exposure**. In addition to testing available through Kaiser Permanente, members may choose to be tested at a licensed, independent facility and receive reimbursement for the cost of the test.

For information on how to receive a diagnostic test for COVID-19, go to the [Kaiser COVID-19 testing webpage](#). If you meet testing guidelines, you will receive instructions from Kaiser on what to do next.

Advanced Urgent Care & Occupational Medicine

[Advanced Urgent Care & Occupational Medicine](#) has indicated they are able to **provide COVID-19 testing to members of the general public who have symptoms**.

People who wish to be tested **must first go through a virtual screening** to ensure they qualify for tests based on symptom and exposure screening questions. Virtual visits are available 7 days a week, 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Most major insurances including Medicaid and Medicare are accepted for the virtual visits.

The test is the PCR nasal swab. The test is covered by most major insurances and results come back from the lab typically within 3 to 7 days. Please note that doctor's notes for testing are not accepted. Testing is conducted 7 days a week from 8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. **by appointment**. A provider will schedule your appointment during your virtual visit. You will be able to choose your appointment location and time.

The COVID-19 rapid test also is available for \$95. The COVID-19 rapid test is a nasal swab, Sofia Antigen test. You'll have same-day results and same-day testing is offered. Currently, the test is not covered by insurance, but is emergency FDA approved. Payment is collected at the time the test is administered.

For more information, please contact Advanced Urgent Care & Occupational Medicine directly at (303) 558-0509. Because they are a private provider and not operated by the State of Colorado, neither the State, CDPHE, nor Weld County is responsible for the information about or operations of these testing sites.

Other information

Letters for work must come from your doctor. The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment does not have, and cannot provide, you with a letter clearing you to go back to work. If you had symptoms consistent with COVID-19, you should isolate yourself for 10 days after symptoms started, and continue isolating yourself until you are fever-free (without the use of fever-reducing medications) for 24 hours. Public health is not requiring people to have a negative test to return to work. If your employer is requiring this, you may want to contact your doctor, or another health care provider, or direct your employer to this website.

Call 911 for:

- Symptoms of heart attack or stroke
- Difficulty breathing or choking
- Difficulty speaking, walking, or seeing

- An allergic reaction
- Confusion, dizziness, or disorientation
- Sudden, severe pain

Do not call 911 for:

- Information about COVID-19
- A ride to the doctor's office
- COVID-19 testing
- Mild symptoms