



# Who is eligible for testing?

It is critical that only eligible individuals are sent to test centers for COVID-19 testing. This is to ensure efficacy of the test itself, and to ensure that all tests are being used to help get NHS key workers who are isolating back to work

## **Self-isolating because NHS worker is symptomatic**

In this instance the NHS keyworker is the only eligible person in their household to receive a COVID-19 test. No other members of their household are eligible.

## **Self-isolating because an adult (over 18) in their household is symptomatic, but the key worker is not**

In this instance only the adult household member(s) of the NHS keyworker is eligible to come to a test centre to receive a COVID-19 test. It is that household member(s) whose data must be collected and sent to The National Test Centres – with the key workers name noted. The key worker will not receive a test. If more than one household member is symptomatic, but not the NHS worker, then all household members should be tested.

## **Self-isolating because a child (under 18) in their household member is symptomatic, but the key worker is not**

In this instance, only the under 18 household member of the NHS keyworker is eligible to come to a test centre to receive a COVID-19 test. Because the household member is under 18 they **can only attend our Greenwich 'self-test' centre**, where a parent or guardian must perform the test on the under 18 year old. For under 18s collect the parent or guardian's data.

## **Self-isolating for other reasons**

If the NHS keyworker is self-isolating for other reasons and is not themselves symptomatic, they are not eligible to be tested

# Frequently Asked Questions

## “I don’t have my NHS Number”

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This is fine, although if we can get this it is preferred. NHS number can be found via the NHS app or by contacting a local GP.

## “Can other household members be tested”

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If the keyworker is symptomatic we will only test them

If it’s a household member who is symptomatic we can test all symptomatic adults in the household

## “What is this test for?”

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It is a PCR test, to test whether you have COVID-19

It is not an antibody test to identify if you have had or are immune to the virus

## “Can I walk or arrive in a taxi?”

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You must drive to the test centre. There is no option to use public transport, walk or take a taxi.

If you can’t drive you should arrange for a **household member only** to drive you through the test site and sit in the passenger seat behind the driver

## “When will I get my results”

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As quickly as possible. We expect this may take up to 72 hours