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**Boone County  
Health Department**

## Summary of Local Testing Sites/Information for COVID-19

As testing availability increases in our region, the Boone County Health Department wants to make you aware of the following:

### According to the Illinois Department of Public Health:

Anyone with COVID-19-like illness or symptoms can get a test, even without a doctor’s order. As testing expands, testing is now available for people who:

- Have COVID-19 symptoms (cough, shortness of breath and fever) OR
- Have a risk factor, such as
  - Contact with someone confirmed to have COVID-19
  - A compromised immune system or a serious chronic medical condition

Testing is also available for those **with OR without symptoms** who:

- Work in a healthcare facility
- Work in correctional facilities, such as jails or prisons
- Serve as first responders, such as paramedics, emergency medical technicians, law enforcement officers or firefighters
- Support critical infrastructure, such as workers in grocery stores, pharmacies, restaurants, gas stations, public utilities, factories, childcare and sanitation

### Local testing sites, locations and other information are listed below:

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**Site hosted by:** National Guard and Winnebago County at the UIC Health Science Campus - Rockford  
**Price for testing:** Free and Insurance not required (patient encouraged to bring insurance card if they have one)  
**For whom:** Symptomatic individuals  
**When:** 7 days a week from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. or until daily supplies run out  
**Location:** UIC Health Sciences Campus - Rockford, 1601 Parkview Ave., Rockford, IL 61107  
**Type of test:** Nasopharyngeal Swab (collected from back of nose & throat)  
**Other Information:** Drive-thru testing (must remain in vehicle at an operating window); no appointment needed

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**Sites hosted by:** Physicians Immediate Care  
**Price for testing:** Insurance accepted, otherwise pay out of pocket  
**For whom:** Any individual with COVID-19 symptoms **OR** if healthcare worker, first responder, or exposed patient will test with or without symptoms  
**When:** See multiple times on the next page  
**Location:** See multiple area locations on the next page  
**Type of test:** Abbott rapid test (results available on site and NOT available to general public) or Quest (specimen sent to IL Quest lab and results are available as soon as lab provides results, typically 2-3 days)

**Other Information:** Patient must have a physical examination using the Curbside Care program prior to being eligible

- 1663 Belvidere Rd., Belvidere IL 61008; Mon-Fri 8:00 a.m. – 4:30p.m.
- 1000 E. Riverside Blvd., Loves Park, IL 61111; Mon-Fri 8:00 a.m. – 4:30p.m.
- 11475 N. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., Machesney Park, IL 61115; Mon-Fri 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
- 6595 E. State St., Rockford, IL 61108; Mon-Fri 8:00 a.m. – 4:30p.m.
- 3475 S. Alpine Rd., Rockford, IL 61109; Mon-Fri 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.; Sat-Sun 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

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**Site hosted by:** Crusader Community Health (with support from IL Dept. of Public Health (IDPH))

**Price for testing:** Free and Insurance not required (patient encouraged to bring insurance card if they have one)

**For whom:** Anyone experiencing upper respiratory symptoms, high-risk populations with chronic medical conditions, people living in congregate situations such as nursing home/retirement housing, healthcare workers and first responders

**When:** Starting August 24, 2020; Mon-Thurs 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Fri 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**Location:** Rockton Ave Center, 3150 N. Rockton Ave., Rockford, IL 61103

**Type of test:** Nasopharyngeal Swab (collected from back of nose & throat)

**Other information:** Drive-thru testing (must remain in vehicle at an operating window); no appointment needed

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More details on the types of tests being offered:

There are currently two “rapid” COVID-19 tests available to clinicians in the Northern Illinois Rockford Region. Local health departments want the public to understand the difference between and potential limitations of the two COVID-19 tests.

- Antibody Tests:
  - Using a small sample of blood from a finger prick, the test is designed to detect the presence of antibodies to the SARS-CoV which causes COVID-19. While the test can detect antibodies, it cannot tell you if you are protected from infection, the length of protection against infection, or determine if you have active disease. The test may also detect other coronaviruses that do not cause COVID-19. These tests are promising in determining exposure in the community but are not fully proven.
- Molecular Tests:
  - Using a sample taken from the nasopharynx (nose and throat), a molecular PCR tests determines the presence of active infection with SARS-CoV. This test cannot tell if a person has been exposed and are still in the incubation period before symptoms develop. These tests are used to confirm COVID-19 if a person is sick with symptoms of COVID-19.

Testing does have specific applications and limitations. Employers are encouraged to work with their Human Resources/Employee Health staff and their local health department for employees who may have been infected with COVID-19, exposed to infection, and/or are returning to work to make sure that they are following the most current evidence-based guidelines.

If you have general questions regarding the 2019 Coronavirus pandemic, also known as COVID-19, please call our COVID-19 information line at **815-547-8561** or email us at: [COVID19@boonehealth.org](mailto:COVID19@boonehealth.org).