When do I need to be tested for COVID-19?
- You should get tested for COVID-19 when you are having symptoms of infection (fever, cough, shortness of breath).
- You should also get tested for COVID-19 if you have been exposed to someone with symptoms of COVID-19. This applies whether you have symptoms or not and whether the person you were exposed to has a positive test or not.

When would I be considered a "close contact" of a person with COVID-19?
- When you have been within 6 feet of an infected person for more than 15 minutes without a face covering.
- When you have had unprotected contact with an infected person's bodily fluids and/or secretions, for example, if you have been coughed or sneezed on, have been sharing utensils or saliva, or have been providing care without wearing appropriate protective equipment.

Am I required to be tested for COVID-19?
- No, however it is highly recommended that you get tested to prevent spreading infection to others if you are experiencing symptoms or have been exposed to someone with COVID-19 related symptoms.

What happens if I decline testing for COVID-19?
- Check with your facility for their policies on staff and residents declining testing.

How will I be tested for COVID-19?
- Your facility has been given instructions on how to be connected with a laboratory that can conduct testing.
- The sample taken will depend on the laboratory. You could be swabbed through the nose, through the mouth, or your saliva could be collected.

How will the COVID-19 testing be paid for?
- COVID-19 testing should be covered for all residents and staff members needing testing, whether you have symptoms of COVID-19 or not.
- If you are a staff member and cannot obtain free testing through your facility or personal physician, you can book an appointment for a free test through LA County: la.fulgentgenetics.com OR covid19.lacounty.gov/testing.

How will I find out the results of my COVID-19 test?
- If your test was provided by the facility you work or reside in, a designated staff member who has been trained to manage confidential information will disclose those results to you.
- If you have received the test through your primary care provider, you will receive your results from them. Then you can share the results with the designated staff member at your facility trained to manage confidential information. This will ensure your information is kept confidential.

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