

State Swab & Send Program

Your COVID-19 test will be sent to the Health & Environmental Testing Laboratory in Augusta.

You can now schedule a COVID-19 test without a provider order. To schedule an appointment visit www.rfgh.net and click on “Schedule a COVID Swab and Send Appointment” or call 207-858-2271.

The State Swab & Send Program at RFGH is open Monday - Friday, 7:30am - 6:00pm.

Patients with appointments will drive to the RFGH ED entrance at 46 Fairview Avenue to check-in.
Hospital staff will be outside to give you instructions.

WHAT TO EXPECT AFTER YOUR COVID-19 TEST

- Results should be available within **72-96** hours after collection.
- Someone from the RFGH Laboratory will call you with your result at the phone number you gave us when you registered once your result is available. Please make sure you are available to take this call.
- A copy of your results will also be mailed to the address that you registered with at RFGH.
- Please **DO NOT** contact either the RFGH Laboratory or the Health & Environmental Testing Laboratory for your results. Someone will contact you with your result once your result is available.
- You are not allowed to leave your house, except for medical care, until you receive your test results.

IF YOU TEST **NEGATIVE**

- If you have symptoms, you should stay at home until 24 hours after symptoms end without use of medication.
- A negative test does not mean you cannot later develop COVID-19. Talk to a healthcare provider if you experience symptoms later.
- If you are a close contact in quarantine, a negative COVID-19 test does not mean that you can end your quarantine early.

IF YOU TEST **POSITIVE**

- Maine CDC will reach out to you to ask you questions and provide recommendations for isolation. It is important that you answer this call to prevent further spread of COVID-19.
- You need to stay in isolation until Maine CDC tells you that you can leave isolation.

If at any time your symptoms become severe, contact a healthcare provider or call 911 for an emergency.