NASSAU COUNTY

COVID-19 Testing Information



NASSAU COUNTY AT-HOME TEST KIT DISTRIBUTION EVENTS

Saturday, January 8th and Sunday, January 9th

8:30am to 1:00pm

- Residents that reside NORTH of Hempstead Turnpike may go to Eisenhower Park
- Residents that reside SOUTH of Hempstead Turnpike may go to Tobay Beach Park

Testing Sites & Appointments

COVID-19 Test Site Finder: Get Information on Coronavirus Testing Near You

For appointments at NYS's testing sites, including Kennedy Memorial Park, Hempstead, click here.

If You Test Positive

If you test positive for COVID-19, please tell your PRIMARY healthcare provider about your test result, if you went ELSEWHERE to be tested, so that they can help you get the right treatment.

Who Should I Notify?

The FIRST STEP is to figure out the time period during which you could have exposed others so you can notify anyone with whom you had close contact during that time, and self-isolate. This helps limit the spread of disease. Fill out the NYS Contact Tracing Tool to help you identify contacts.

IF YOU HAVE COVID-19 SYMPTOMS – you were able to spread COVID-19 starting TWO DAYS BEFORE your first symptoms started. Notify the people you had close contact with during this time. Isolate yourself for FIVE DAYS starting from the date your symptoms started. If asymptomatic at the end of 5 days or if symptoms are resolving, you may end isolation and should wear a well-fitting mask while around others for an additional 5 days.

Individuals who are moderately-severely immunocompromised should continue to follow standard ten-day isolation.

IF YOU HAVE NOT HAD SYMPTOMS – you were able to spread the disease starting TWO DAYS before your COVID-19 test was taken. Notify the people you had close contact with during this time. Isolate yourself for FIVE DAYS starting from the date of your test. If still asymptomatic at the end of the five-day isolation, you should wear a well-fitting mask while around others for an additional 5 days.

For additional information on isolation: CDC Coronavirus Quarantine & Isolation Information.

Close contact is defined as any of the following interactions:

- Having direct physical contact with someone. (e.g. hug, kiss, handshake)
- Being within 6 feet of someone for 10 minutes total in a day.
- Having contact with your respiratory secretions. (e.g. coughed/sneezed on, contact with dirty tissue, sharing a drinking glass, food, towels, or other personal items)
- Living with or spent the night with someone.

What do I tell my close contacts?

If exposed to COVID-19, quarantine as follows, where day 0 is the last date of exposure:

- If not fully vaccinated or fully vaccinated and eligible for a booster but not yet boosted, quarantine for 5 days and wear a well-fitting mask while around others for an additional 5 days.
- If fully vaccinated and boosted (with the booster at least 2 weeks before the first date of exposure) or not yet eligible for a booster, no quarantine is required but these individuals should wear a well-fitting mask while around others for 10 days after the last date of exposure.
- If possible, test at day 5 with either a nucleic acid amplification test (NAAT, e.g., PCR) or antigen test.
- If symptoms appear, quarantine and seek testing. In this situation, quarantine would end when the test is negative. If testing is not done, isolate according to the guidance above