

Pre-procedure COVID Testing for Procedures Done Outside of Jefferson Healthcare

Jefferson Healthcare does pre-procedure testing for patients who have a referring provider (PCP or specialty provider) at Jefferson Healthcare or are having a procedure done at Jefferson Healthcare.

1. Please contact the facility/department where you are going to have your procedure. Please ask them to send a fax to hospital registration (**360-379-2256**) and include the following information:
 - Patient name
 - Patient date of birth
 - Name, phone number and fax number of their facility/department
 - Date of the patient's procedure
 - Date the patient needs a COVID test (usually 72 hours before the procedure)
 - Procedural provider's (doctor, surgeon, nurse practitioner or physician assistant's) name under whom we should place the COVID test order
 - Ask if they will need the COVID test results faxed to them
2. Once hospital registration receives the fax, they will call you to confirm when you need to have the pre-procedure COVID test done through the Jefferson Healthcare outpatient lab.
 - a. If the procedural facility has requested a nasal swab, you will do a self-swab at the outpatient lab (staff will observe you to insure correct collection).
 - b. If they have requested a nasopharyngeal swab, respiratory therapy staff will come to the lab to perform the swab.
3. If you later find that you are unable to come for your pre-procedure test on the required day, you will need to contact your procedural facility, confirm with them that a different day would be acceptable, and have them re-fax the test request with the new date, including all information listed in #1.
4. After you are tested, you must quarantine between the test and your procedure, to avoid getting exposed to COVID-19 during this time period.
5. Once your COVID-19 test results are back, you will not be notified if they are negative, only if you would happen to have a positive COVID-19 result. Your procedural department will find out your results either through their electronic medical record (EMR) system or we will fax the results to them, if they have requested this and provided their fax number.
6. If you need a paper copy of your test results, you can print this from MyChart or request it from your primary care clinic.