

FAQs- Nursing Home Visitation Testing (1.19.22)

Governor Hogan issued a new order stating that all nursing home visitors will need to provide proof of a negative COVID-19 test **effective Friday, January 21, 2022.**

*Please contact your Lorien facility directly to determine if the local health department is requiring testing for assisted living visitors.

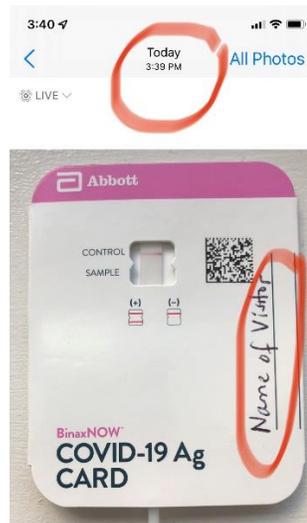
Q. What types of Covid-19 test results will Lorien accept?

A. Lorien will accept a home, rapid, or PCR test.

Q: What do I need to bring if I tested at home?

A: We will accept a date and time stamped photo of the negative test result with the visitor's name written on the test. The date and time stamp must be within 72 hours of your visit.

We understand home tests vary, below is just an example.



Q. If I do not bring a home test result with me, can I be tested at a Lorien facility?

A. Yes, however we stress that this is **not** the best option. We strongly recommend that visitors avoid this option because all of our facilities are operating in **crisis staffing mode**. Utilizing our facility staff to test our visitors involves time that would be better spent caring for our residents.

You may find home test kits in your local pharmacy or to have them shipped for free to your home, click here: <https://special.usps.com/testkits>.

Q. What is the wait time if I choose to be tested at a Lorien facility?

A: Since all of our facilities are operating in crisis staffing mode, the wait time for testing and receiving your results could be up to 1.5 hours. After 7:00pm each night, the wait time could be longer. We ask for your patience as there will be times that staff will be caring for residents and will be unable to test you immediately upon arrival.

Q. May I visit my loved one while I wait for my test results?

A: No. Visitation can begin only after Lorien has received your negative test result within 72 hours of visitation.

Q. Can I come to a Lorien facility to be tested if I am experiencing symptoms of Covid-19?

A: No. If you are experiencing any symptoms, please do not come to a Lorien facility. For information regarding symptoms to look out for click here: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/clinical-care-quick-reference.html>

Q. Where can I get tested in my community?

A. No upfront cost Covid-19 testing can be found here:

Quest Diagnostics <https://www.questdiagnostics.com>

Lab Corp <https://www.ondemand.labcorp.com/covid-19-pcr-tests>

Additional testing site locations can be found here:

<https://coronavirus.maryland.gov/pages/symptoms-testing>

You can also find additional home test and testing site information on the website of your local health department:

Howard: <https://www.howardcountymd.gov/health/covid-19-testing>

Harford: <https://harfordcountyhealth.com/testing-in-harford/>

Baltimore County: <https://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/covid-19/testing>

Carroll County: <https://cchd.maryland.gov/covidtesting/>

Q. What information is needed on test results from a community testing site?

A. Please ensure that the following information is on the test result you receive from the testing site:
Name, Date of Birth, Test Location, Date and Time of Test, Type of Test (PCR or Rapid) and Results.