

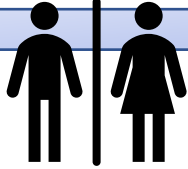


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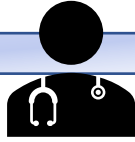
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If believed to be symptomatic, the patient should call healthcare provider PRIOR to arriving at the facility to discuss symptoms.



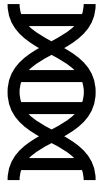
Patient arrives at their healthcare provider



Clinician assesses symptoms and any potential exposures; if suspected for coronavirus, they must immediately isolate the patient and contact their local or state health department - epidemiology program



Epidemiological case consult conducted, if appropriate, PUI case number assigned. Patient must remain isolated.



Clinician must collect and package the specimen.



Clinician must complete the NSPHL Requisition Form, check "Other" and list COVID-19 and the patient PUI number.



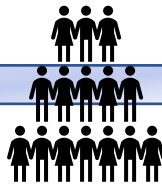
Clinician must call the NSPHL (775) 688-1335 [M-F 8AM to 5 PM]; (775) 823-1150 [after hours] prior to any shipment to coordinate transport.



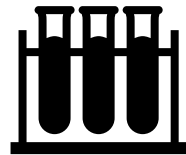
Once NSPHL receives the specimen, it will take up to 4 hours to complete the test.



NSPHL will report results to the ordering clinician, state health department, and local health department (if necessary). If negative, no further public health action. If positive, it is considered "presumptive" and sent to CDC for confirmatory testing.



If presumptive positive, the state or local health department will conduct a full epidemiological investigation of the patient immediately. Patient will remain in isolation.



CDC will take up to 72 hours to complete the confirmatory testing of the specimen once received at their site. Once completed they notify the NSPHL of the results. NSPHL notifies the State Chief Medical Officer of the results.



Patient must remain in isolation until considered non-infectious.

Process for assessing, testing, and reporting of coronavirus cases in Northern and Rural Nevada

