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 the SNHD - epidemiology program at 702-759-1300.

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 required SNPHL forms. Clinician must note the PUI number on the forms.

Clinician must call the SNPHL at 702-759-1020 prior to any shipment to coordinate transport.

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

SNPHL will report results to the ordering clinician, SNHD epidemiology program, and state health department. If negative, no further public health action. If positive, it is considered “presumptive” and sent to CDC for confirmatory testing.

If presumptive positive, the SNHD 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 SNPHL of the results. SNPHL notifies the SNHD and 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 Clark County, Nevada

PUI = Person(s) Under Investigation SNHD = Southern Nevada Health District SNPHL = Southern Nevada Public Health Laboratory CDC = Centers for Disease Control and Prevention