

INFORMED CONSENT FOR COVID-19 TESTING

Patient Name: @NAME@
MRN: @MRN@

Date of Birth: @DOB@
Date of Service: @DOS@

COVID-19 is a disease caused by the novel (new and recently identified) SARS-CoV-2 virus. There are currently three (3) types of tests offered by QuadMed for COVID-19: Nucleic Acid Amplification Test (NAAT), antigen, and antibody (serology). NAAT and antigen tests detect whether a person is currently infected. A serology test detects whether a person had an infection in the past.

Nucleic Acid Amplification Testing (NAAT). NAAT is a type of viral diagnostic test for SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19. NAAT detects genetic material (nucleic acids). NAAT for SARS-CoV-2 specifically identify the RNA (ribonucleic acid) sequences that comprise the genetic material of the virus, in the nose, throat, or other areas in the respiratory tract to determine if the person has an active infection. NAAT can use many different methods to amplify nucleic acids and detect the virus. Examples include polymerase chain reaction (PCR) and helicase dependent amplification (HDA) testing. Negative results do not rule out SARS-CoV-2 infection after the test has been administered. Follow-up testing should be considered to rule out infection for individuals who have been in contact with the virus after the test has been administered or for any individual exhibiting symptoms of coronavirus as outlined on <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>.

Antigen Testing. An antigen test looks for pieces of proteins that make up the SARS-CoV-2 virus to determine if the person has an active infection. Negative results do not rule out SARS-CoV-2 infection for individuals that have experienced symptoms of coronavirus as outlined on <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>. Follow-up testing with a molecular diagnostic should be considered to rule out infection in these individuals.

Antibody (Serology) Testing. Serology looks for antibodies against SARS-CoV-2 in the blood. This antibody test is used to assess whether there may have been infection related to COVID-19 in the past, so the test looks for antibodies to COVID-19, not the virus itself. In most cases, a blood sample is taken and sent to a lab for testing. This is NOT a diagnostic test. The results from this testing will not guide any treatment by your healthcare provider. This test does not guarantee immunity to COVID-19 or any other virus. At QuadMed clinics that have the Abbott Architect system, the SARS-CoV-2 IgG assay can be ordered by a healthcare provider to detect if there has been an adaptive immune response to COVID-19, indicating a recent or prior infection. This test is given only to individuals who do not have any COVID-19 symptoms for the past fourteen (14) days. Negative results do not rule out SARS-CoV-2 infection, particularly in those who have been in contact with the virus. Follow-up testing should be considered to rule out infection in these individuals.

PATIENT PRIVACY, RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- I have been provided the Notice of Privacy Practices and offered the opportunity to receive my own copy.
- I acknowledge that the Notice of Privacy Practices and Patient Rights and Responsibilities are available to me electronically and at all QuadMed health center locations.
- While in a QuadMed facility, I understand that I am not allowed to take photos or videos of other patients, patient care activities or of healthcare providers.
- For treatment, payment and health care operations purposes, my medical records may be used and shared with health providers, insurance companies and other parties for legally allowable purposes.
- If applicable, I authorize payment of medical benefits to QuadMed and/or its associated physicians.
- If applicable, I have disclosed to QuadMed benefits related to a Health Savings Account (HSA) or alternative coverage.

I acknowledge that there has not yet been enough research completed to fully understand all the characteristics of the virus or the disease it causes. I further understand that (i) this test is not for the screening of donated blood; (ii) test results may indicate a false positive result or false negative result; (iii) test results will be provided to me via phone, mailed letter or electronic means; and, (iv) QuadMed will not retain any right to test my sample for any purpose other than as outlined herein. I hereby acknowledge that I have carefully read the information in this form as well as additional handout material(s) regarding COVID-19 testing. I have been given adequate time to understand and consider all the information as well as answers to any questions I may have asked.

By signing below, I hereby represent and warrant that I am legally able to consent for COVID-19 testing as outlined herein. In addition, by signing below, I hereby consent for myself, my heirs, executors, assigns, and/or personal representatives and waive any and all rights, claims, or causes of action of any kind whatsoever arising out of my participation in this voluntary test, including, but not limited to, any claim arising out of or related to personal injury, inaccurate, un-interpreted, and/or test results not received; and do hereby release and forever discharge QuadMed, its affiliates, managers, members, agents, healthcare providers, staff, volunteers, successors, and assigns, from all such claims or causes of actions. My consent is valid for one (1) year from the date of my signature below. I understand that I may request and review this form at any time.

Signature of Patient or Personal Representative

Relationship to Patient (Legal Authority)