

What to Expect: Visiting a COVID-19 Saliva Testing Site (Audio Described): Transcript

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>> A masked woman at a state testing site holds up a test tube. Text appears on screen, "What to Expect: Visiting a COVID-19 Saliva Testing Site."

[Narration] What to expect when you go to a COVID-19 saliva testing site.

>> The scene changes. A cartoon apple appears inside a gray do-not symbol. The apple drops away and is replaced by a glass of water, a cigarette, and a chewing person in profile. A small clock appears to the left of the do-not, with 30 minutes shaded out.

First, be sure to not eat, drink, smoke, or chew anything 30 minutes before you submit your saliva sample. This includes not drinking water.

>> An icon of a smartphone appears under a "Number 1", an insurance card under a "Number 2", and a mail envelope with the text "email@address.com" underneath a "Number 3".

If you have them, bring a smartphone, an insurance card, and an active email address. If you don't have a smartphone, there are sanitized tablets on-site that you can use.

>> A gray do-not symbol appears with an insurance card inside. Text appears and it read aloud.

If you don't have insurance, you can still get tested for free. You will not receive a bill.

>> The scene changes. An icon of a smartphone appears with a telephone image on its screen. The phone rings.

And if you don't have an active email address, staff can use a phone number to call and tell you your results over the phone.

>> The scene changes. We see a hallway divided into two different lanes with two sandwich boards directing people into the different lanes. One board reads "Appointments", with the Spanish translation "Citas" underneath. The second board reads "To Register" with "Para Registrarse" underneath.

You're encouraged to sign up for an appointment time, but walk-ins are also welcome. When you arrive, follow the directions on the signs to either register or check in for your appointment.

>> A closeup of a hand passing a clean, disposable mask to a second person's hand.

The staff will ask you to change out your mask to a new surgical mask. This helps keeps the facility as clean as possible.

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>> *The masked woman from the beginning of the video speaks to a masked test site worker at a table. The worker hands the woman a small testing kit. The worker then walks the woman to a table that is spaced out from other tables in the facility.*

The staff will ask if you need an interpreter and if you have a smartphone. Then they will give you a kit and bring you to a table.

>> *The woman stands at the table with a large QR code taped to the table top. She types on her smartphone.*

You will use your smartphone to scan the QR code on the table. This brings you to the testing website where you can fill in your information. If you have any questions, staff are there to help you.

>> *The woman opens her testing kit and removes a testing tub with a funnel on the top.*

After you fill in your information, the website walks you through each step of the saliva test.

>> *We see saliva filling up the test tube to just below a line.*

You'll need to provide enough saliva to just beyond the line. Bubbles don't count.

>> *The woman taps her filled test tube on the table top.*

Tapping the container on the counter gets rid of bubbles so you can see how much more you have to fill.

>> *The woman removes the funnel and replaces it with another small plastic piece from the testing kit. She screws the cap on tightly. She begins to shake the vial.*

When your container is filled to the line, you'll take off the collection funnel and screw on the cap with blue preservatives. Keep screwing on the cap until the divider between the blue preservative and your saliva sample cracks and you can shake the vial to mix the blue preservative and saliva together. Shake the vial for 5 seconds.

>> *Sped-up video shows the woman walking her vial across the large room to a table with a submission box for samples. She throws her discarded testing kit packaging into the garbage container.*

Finally, walk your vial to the submission table and throw away the packaging from the testing kit.

>> *The scene changes. An envelope icon with the writing "email@address.com" slides onto the screen. The text underneath is read aloud.*

You'll get your results e-mailed to you within 48 hours. Or if you don't have an email, you'll get a call at the phone number you provided.

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>> *The scene changes. A speech bubble on blue background appears with a large question mark inside.*

If you have any questions about the sample collection process, ask the staff at the saliva testing site.

>> *The question mark transitions to the Stay Safe MN logo screen, above text reading "Mn.gov/covid19".*

Thank you for getting tested and helping to keep our communities safe!

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