Positive Results

Your COVID-19 home test results: What to do next

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I have symptoms	You may not have COVID-19, or it's too early for it to show up on the test. Test again in 24 to 72 hours to be sure. Quarantine until your second test is negative.	 You have COVID-19. You should isolate: Don't go to any in-person events. Don't travel.
I was around someone who had COVID-19	You may not have COVID-19, or it's too soon after exposure for it to show up on the test. Test again in 24 to 72 hours to be sure. Quarantine until your second test is negative.	 Don't go to in-person medical appointments. Don't visit friends and family. Positive and I don't have any symptoms Isolate at least 5 days from your positive test date, then wear a mask in all settings for 5 more days.
I am going to a social event, visiting friends and family, or planning travel	If you don't have symptoms and haven't been exposed, you likely don't have COVID-19. Test again in 24 to 72 hours to be sure. You do not need to quarantine.	 Positive and I have symptoms Isolate at least 5 days. You can stop isolation when: Your symptoms have improved AND You have no fever for 24 hours (without fever-reducing medications) AND Your first symptoms were at least 5 days ago Remember to wear a mask in all settings for 5 more days.
I had COVID-19 and I isolated for 5 days. I want to go back to work or school	Testing after an infection is not necessa most people. If you test, here is what to Negative Results Your COVID-19 infection is over. You may return to regular activity, school, or work. You must continue to wear a mask in all settings for 5 more days. Check with your school or employer to find out what information they need before you go back.	-



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What is the difference between isolation and quarantine?



Isolation is separating the person with COVID-19 from household members who are not sick.

To isolate:

- Sleep alone in a separate room
- Use a separate bathroom if possible
- Do not eat with others
- Do not spend time in any room with others
- Do not share personal items such as dishes, eating utensils, towels, or bedding
- If you must be in a room with others, always wear a mask



Quarantine is for people who live with or have been around a person who has COVID-19.

To quarantine:

- Stay home from work, school, and all other public activities
- If you must leave home, always wear a mask

Other things to know

- You don't need to go to a clinic for a PCR test to confirm your positive or negative COVID-19 home test results.
- Kaiser Permanente can't provide proof of your COVID-19 home test results.
- Reporting your test results to Kaiser Permanente isn't required.
- We're here to help keep you, your loved ones, and our communities as safe as possible. For more information, visit **kp.org/coronavirus**.
- If you have worsening shortness of breath, cough, or fever, call our 24/7 advice line to speak with a nurse at **1-800-297-6877** or **206-630-2244**. If you are having a medical emergency, call 911.

Need emotional support?

Get started with wellness apps, Calm and myStrength¹.



Or complete a mental health e-visit. Sign in to **kp.org/wa**. Click "Get Care Now" and then "e-visit."

If you are in crisis, call **1-888-287-2680**, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. After hours, call **1-800-297-6877**.

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