

## COVID-19 Antibody Testing is Now Available at all Patient Centers\*



COVID-19 antibody testing (which requires a blood draw) is available at all [HNL Lab Medicine Patient Centers](#). This test is for individuals who know or think they may have had COVID -19 and haven't had any symptoms for the past 14 days. It can check for antibodies developed after exposure to the SARS-CoV-2 virus that causes COVID-19.

The COVID-19 antibody test is not to be used as a sole basis to diagnose or exclude infection.<sup>1</sup>

HNL Lab Medicine offers a [Self-Pay](#) option for \$57.00,<sup>2</sup> **with a prescription from a healthcare provider**. Healthcare providers can also collect patient blood specimens in their offices and send the samples to HNL Lab Medicine for testing.

**Please note: This test is different from the COVID-19 PCR Swab test, which indicates if there is an active infection and that the virus is present.**<sup>3</sup>

Patients suspected of having or confirmed to have active COVID-19 infection or disease may not visit HNL Lab Medicine Patient Centers. Patients who believe they may have COVID-19 are strongly encouraged to contact their healthcare provider.

<sup>1</sup>COVID-19 antibody testing limitations:

- Antibody test results should not be used as the sole criterion to confirm or rule out SARS-CoV-2 infection or to assess infection status.
- Negative results do not exclude infection with SARS-CoV-2, especially in individuals with known exposure to virus.<sup>4</sup>
  - Follow-up molecular diagnostic testing should be considered in those with known exposure to COVID-19.<sup>4</sup>
  - Immunocompromised patients infected with COVID-19 may have a delayed antibody response or antibody levels too low to result in a positive test.<sup>4</sup>
- Positive results suggest exposure to SARS-CoV-2 but do not indicate immunity.
- Past or current infection with non-SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus strains, including HKU1, NL63, OC43, or 229E, can cause false-positive results.<sup>4</sup>
- Not for use in screening donated blood.

<sup>2</sup>To qualify for Self-Pay Pricing, have your blood drawn at any HNL Lab Medicine Patient Centers listed at [www.HNL.com/locations](http://www.HNL.com/locations) and inform the phlebotomist prior to getting your blood drawn that you would like to Self-Pay.

<sup>3</sup>The COVID-19 PCR Swab test is NOT available for collection at HNL Lab Medicine's Patient Centers. The COVID-19 PCR Swab test is for those individuals who have symptoms or meet the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's testing criteria.

<sup>4</sup>Abbott ARCHITECT SARS-CoV-2 IgG [package insert]. Chicago, IL: Abbott; April 2020. Information provided by ARUP Laboratories.

**\*During the COVID-19 outbreak, we are limiting hours and temporarily closing some Patient Centers. Please call customer care at 877-402-4221 or visit [www.HNL.com/locations](http://www.HNL.com/locations) for open Patient Centers and hours.**

### **As a reminder**

For everyone's safety and with the current recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Pennsylvania Department of Health, we require all visitors and staff to wear a face mask before entering our facilities. We appreciate your help in keeping our health care workers and our community safe. Patients who are concerned that they or a family member are exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 should immediately contact their healthcare provider to determine their next steps. <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/symptoms.html>