When do I need to get a COVID-19 test?

Are you fully vaccinated?

You are fully vaccinated if it has been at least 2 weeks since you received your Johnson & Johnson vaccine OR at least 2 weeks since you received your second Pfizer or Moderna vaccine dose.

I am fully vaccinated.

Get a COVID-19 test if:

- You have symptoms of COVID-19.*
- You had close contact with someone with confirmed COVID-19. Get tested 5–7 days after you were exposed.
- You have been asked to be tested by a healthcare provider.
- You work in healthcare and are required to be tested by your employer.

*Symptoms of COVID-19 include:

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches

- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

I am not fully vaccinated.

Get a COVID-19 test if:

- You have symptoms of COVID-19.*
- You had close contact with someone with confirmed COVID-19 within 10 days of their positive test result.
- You have been asked to be tested by your school, workplace, or a healthcare provider.

Regardless of vaccination status, you might want to get tested if:

- You plan to take part in activities that put you at higher risk for COVID-19, such as attending large, crowded gatherings.
- You work where there might be a higher risk of COVID-19 transmission,** such as homeless shelters, correctional facilities, and settings with close contact with the public.



**Read more about high-risk settings here: cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/ DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Updated-COVID-19-Testing-Guidance.aspx



