

Medmark COVID-19 Antibody Testing

We have had requests from clients to make COVID-19 antibody testing available to their workforce. We are happy to provide this test and can assure you that this testing is NOT taking vital resources away from the HSE / Public Health. We have set out below full details and information in relation to the antibody test.

How do I book?

- To book your appointment click on <https://medmark.fullhealthmedical.com/bookings> and use code **Antibodytest**
- You will be able to select your location and an appointment date and time that suits for you to attend to provide a blood sample
- *You will need a credit or debit card to make payment*
- Once you have selected your appointment you will be asked to register on the Full Health system

Preparing for the tests

There is **no requirement to fast** for this blood test. Please ensure you are fully hydrated. The appointment should take approximately 10 to 15 minutes.

Confidentiality of your result and follow up

Rest assured that the entire testing process is completely confidential. Your results will be reported directly back to you via a secure online system with your own unique username and password. Please note that your employer will not have access to your individual results. If you wish to discuss your result, we can arrange a call with a Medmark doctor. To arrange this email medmark-support@fullhealthmedical.com. All queries in relation to the test, including your report / results, should be directed to Medmark by emailing medmark-support@fullhealthmedical.com.

Attending for your appointment / Safety measures

Your safety is our top priority. This is why we have taken measures to keep you safe with the following protocols in place:

- Hand sanitizer is available
- Social distancing is required in waiting rooms. In order to ensure that adequate social distancing is possible we are limiting the number of individuals who can attend the practice at any one time
- Face masks are not required to be worn but are available should you wish to wear one
- You will be asked to complete a COVID-19 Declaration when you attend. If you have any COVID-19 symptoms, such as flu like symptoms, cough, fever, etc. you should not attend
- Our clinical staff will be wearing appropriate PPE
- The seat used by the individual attending is wipeable and will be cleaned down after each use

How the Antibody Testing programme works

Step 1:

Book your appointment quickly and conveniently using the online appointment booking system by clicking the link below and entering the code **Antibody** when prompted.

<https://medmark.fullhealthmedical.com/bookings>

Step 2:

Select COVID-19 antibody test and your preferred location, date and time

Step 3:

You will be brought to the payment screen, if there is a cost associated with your package. You may pay by credit or debit card.

Step 4:

Provide your name, address, email, date of birth, etc

Step 5:

You will receive an email asking you to confirm your email account. This email will also contain confirmation of your test date and location.

Step 6:

Attend your appointment. You will receive an email reminder in advance of your appointment. There is **no fasting** required but please ensure you are fully hydrated.

Step 7:

Most results are available within two to three working days of your appointment however we allow for up to 10 working days.

Description of the Antibody Test and what the result means

We are using the Roche Elecsys Anti-SARS-CoV-2 antibody test has a specificity greater than 99.8% and 100% sensitivity (14 Days post-PCR confirmation).

Antibody testing can tell whether a person has been previously infected. Most patients who recover from coronavirus have been found to produce antibodies, but it is not yet known if an individual with a positive result showing presence of IgG antibody levels following being infected with SARS-CoV-2 will be protected, either fully or partially from future infection, or for how long protective immunity may last. Although early evidence is promising, further studies correlating serological testing with immunity are required.

Testing should be undertaken 14 days or more following exposure or onset of symptoms. The incubation period of COVID-19 ranges from between 1 to 14 days, with the majority of cases manifesting with symptoms at 3 – 5 days. The host immune system reacts to the infection by SARS-CoV-2 by producing antibodies from a few days to 2 weeks and beyond. Specific IgG antibodies are produced in the later stages of infection to SARS-CoV-2. The persistence of IgG antibodies allows identification of people who have been infected by SARS-CoV-2

The test will be done via a blood sample taken by us and analysed by our laboratory partner Medlab. This is different from molecular (diagnostic) COVID-19 testing, which is a nasal swab test that can tell if you're currently infected with the virus.

Testing positive means that you have COVID-19 antibodies in your blood after being previously infected. It may mean you have a certain level of protection against reinfection. However, the possibility of reinfection is not known at this time.

Whether your results are positive or negative, it remains extremely important that you continue to follow guidelines for hand cleaning, hygiene, social distancing, etc.

We have included a links below to guidance from the World Health Organisation (WHO) and Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in relation to antibody testing.

- [WHO guidance](#)
- [CDC guidance](#)

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All queries in relation to this programme, including bookings, should be directed to Medmark by emailing medmark-support@fullhealthmedical.com or calling the Medmark team on 01 6761493.