What people should know about COVID-19 testing

If you feel like you need to see a doctor, call your healthcare provider to discuss whether or not you need to be seen. If you need urgent medical attention, call 911.

Your provider will consult with the local public health department to determine if testing is necessary.

Your doctor will take samples and talk to you about next steps.

Samples are sent to the Oregon State Public Health Lab for testing, the only lab able to test for COVID-19 in Oregon.

The Oregon State Public Health Lab will test for COVID-19. Your provider and public health will be notified of the results.

If the test shows presence of the infection, the Oregon Health Authority will announce this as a presumptive case. The samples will be sent to the CDC for confirmation.

Not everyone who is sick needs to be tested. Your healthcare provider and public health department will determine if testing is necessary.

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