FIFO COVID-19 TESTING

Company to arrange with SA Pathology for asymptomatic PCR swab testing as part of an integrated infection prevention control strategy

NOTE: Email communications to SA Pathology with standard subject line: FIFO, company name, detail eg flight testing manifest, forms

Company COVID Coordinator (CC) organises volunteers/ identified personnel for swab testing

CC advises relevant employees about swab testing process including:

- how to register with SA Pathology app to receive test results
- how to complete the SA Pathology Request Form
- what to do for second and subsequent rounds of testing

CC schedules identified personnel for testing using SA Pathology standard excel format (include company-consulting doctor name and provider number, employee Medicare number, name, DOB, mobile phone number and address)

SA Health/SA Pathology identifies test windows

CC arranges employee hotel accommodation

CC provides SA Pathology with completed Request Form one week in advance of scheduled test

CC advises SA Pathology scheduling changes needed

Interstate employee flies in

SA-based employee reports for testing at main location, regional or metro location as arranged

If earlier than scheduled test employee must go to airport hotel

SA Pathology staff report for test window:

- 7 days per week
- 1300-1800

Employee reports for testing at scheduled time

NOTE: If employee misses test window due to delay (eg flight) CC contacts SA Pathology to arange for employee to either:

(1) attend metro drive through window in taxi (0800-1600)

(2) attend RAH COVID clinic (0800-2000)

(3) defer test to following day

SA Pathology checks employee against request form and that employee is registered to receive results

Nurse conducts test (allow approximately 5 minutes per person)

NOTE: Remember to queue 1.5 m apart

Interstate employee reports to airport hotel for isolation*

SA-based employee returns home (not in isolation)

Test sent for pathology

Results sent to employee and referring doctor

Negative test received
Result sent to personnel by SMS

Present for flight - text sent to CC as a condition of boarding (company process)

Referring doctor reports to CC if arranged by company (result available electronically on public health system)

Positive test received

Notifications sent to employee, requesting doctor and Communicable Disease Control Branch (CDCB)

Employee must remain isolated* in quarantine for a minimum of 14 days and until cleared by second COVID-19 test

Company arranges alternative personnel

***What to do if you are instructed to isolate**

Having identified suitable premises, travel by the most direct practical route and means to those premises. Upon arrival remain in those premises, self-quarantined and segregated from other persons (excluding persons who usually live at the premises).

You must take reasonable steps to ensure that no other person enters the premises unless that other person usually lives at the premises, or the other person is also complying with self-quarantine requirements, or for medical or emergency purposes.

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