

COVID-19 Rapid Testing Program Verification of Negative Rapid Test Result

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COVID-19 Rapid Testing Program under Policy A1701: COVID-19 Vaccination

COVID-19 rapid antigen testing (“rapid testing” or “rapid test”) begins on **November 1, 2021** for all employees that have not provided proof that they will be fully vaccinated by November 15, or have an approved medical or religious exemption.

Purpose

This document is to be used by leaders or individuals who will be responsible for verification of a negative rapid test result.

Verification of Negative Rapid Test Results

Valid test results must include the employee’s full name, the provider that completed the test, the type of test, date and time of sample collection, and a clear indication of a negative result.

Employee full name

- The name on the test result must be the employee’s full name.

Name of test provider

- The test must be completed by a pharmacy or by a qualified private provider. Testing cannot be performed at home.

Type of test

- Only Health Canada approved rapid antigen tests are accepted. This does not include at-home testing kits or Alberta Health Services (AHS) provided PCR tests*.
**If the employee has a confirmatory PCR test following a positive rapid test result they may use the negative AHS PCR test as their ‘rapid test result’ for the next 72hrs.*

Date and time of test

- The date and time of the test must be within 72 hours of the start of the employee’s current shift.

Test result

- The test result must state a clear indication of a negative test result.

Related Information

COVID-19 Vaccination Administrative [Policy](#), [Procedure](#) and [FAQ](#)
COVID-19 Rapid Testing [Program](#), [COVID-19 Rapid Testing Program Requirements](#) and [FAQ](#)